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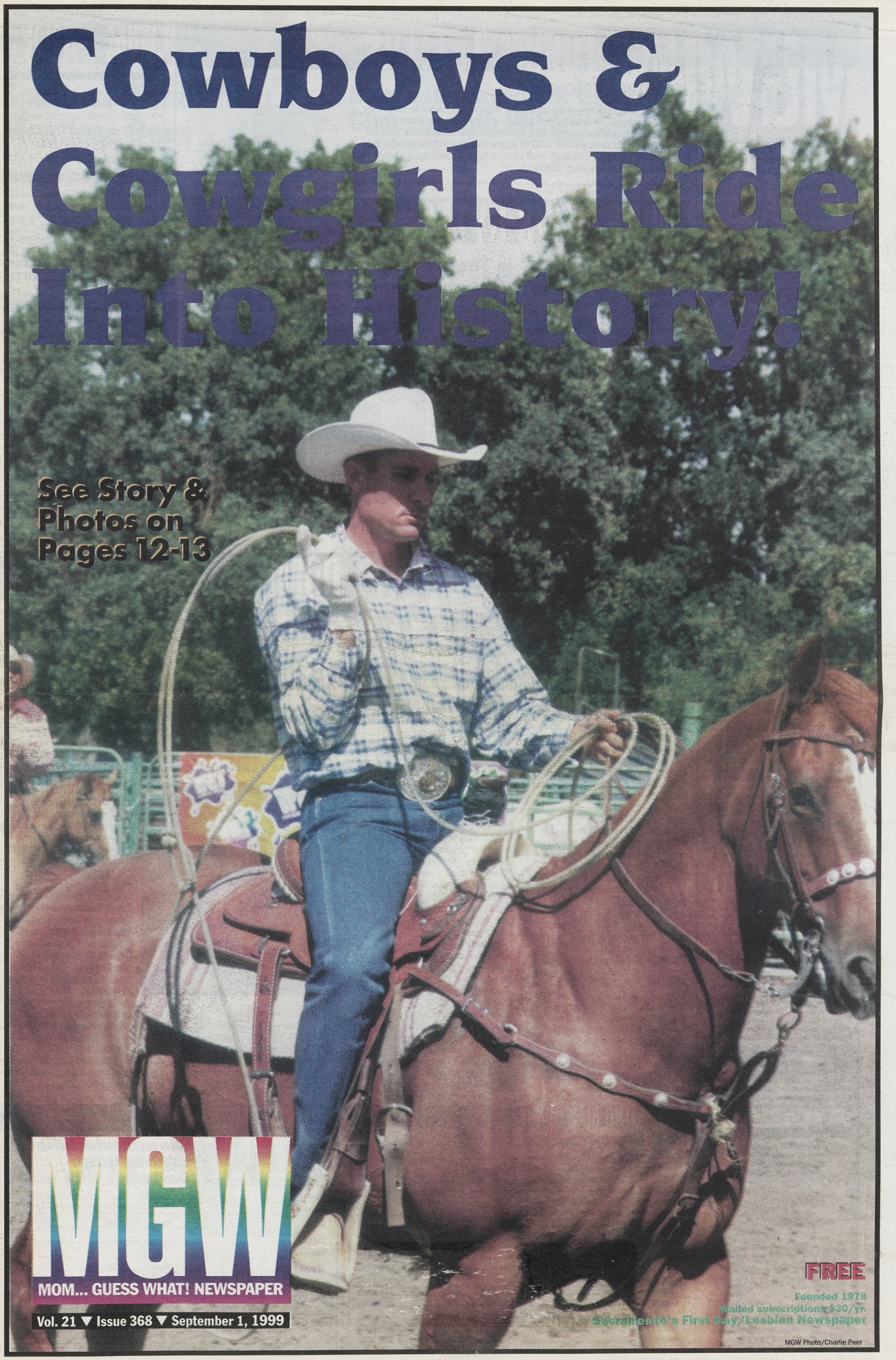

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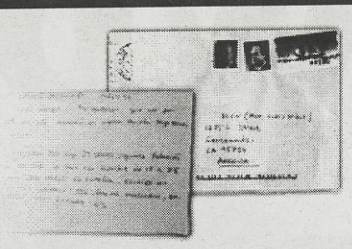


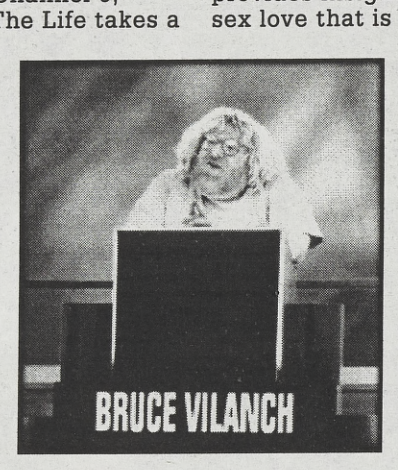
# WIRE NEWS BYTES

## Robertson goes For the Kill

On a show called "700 Club", which was aired recently on the Christian Broadcasting Network, Pat Robertson, the popular Christian Coalition President, said that the U.S. should not ban policy that bans the killings of rogue world leaders. Robertson said that it is better "to take out (Yugoslav President Slobodan) Milosevic, to take out (Iraqi President) Saddam Hussein, rather than spend billions of dollars on a war that harms innocent civilians and destroys the infrastructure of a country." There is some logic to Robertson's thoughtful thinking, but he better be careful of what he is wishing for. If such policy exists, someone might want his head as a collector's trophy. ▼

## In The Life: "Lights! Camera! Activism!"

On September 5, Sunday, 11pm on Channel 6, KVIE, In The Life takes a look at films that highlight and explore the gay and lesbian experience. From documentaries to experimental works, and from industry features to independent films, gay men and lesbians are producing works about gay life that are vastly different in scope and style. Each diverse project provides insight into same-sex love that is unprecedented just a decade ago.

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- John Waters and his offbeat sensibility. Is it gay or just Baltimore?
- Hungary comes out: The Budapest Gay and Lesbian Film Festival.
- Battle for the Box: the Religious Right versus Gay TV
- Bruce Vilanch, writer for the stars, and that square to the left of Whoopi.
- "Tomboy", the winner of In The Life 1999 Short Film and Video Contest. ▼

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# LOCAL...

## Concord Invites Police to Meeting

***by Kevin Wadsworth***
***MGW Staff***

In Colfax, downtown Concord at the Contra Costa County on September 16, Lt. Susan E. Jones from the Concord Police Department will be attending a public reception with the Rainbow Governmental Concerns Committee to discuss the changing nature of law enforcement and the philosophy of crime prevention through partnership and collaborative problem-solving approaches.

This discussion will provide pertinent for the GLBT community.

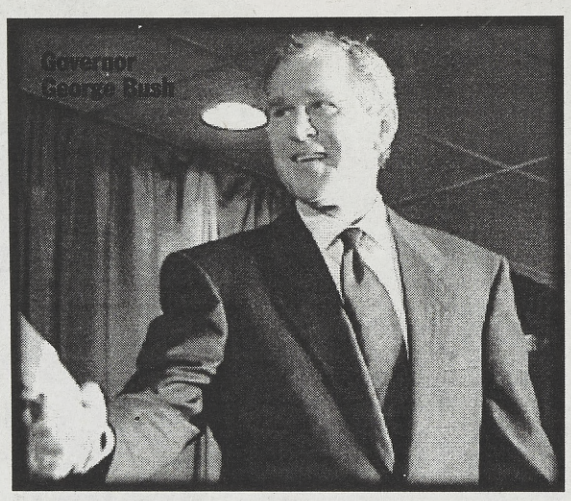
Lt. Susan E. Jones, an expert in the field of community policing, has been in the law enforcement since 1979. Jones was promoted to Lieutenant last December, making her the first female police manager in Concord's history. Lt. Jones has a Masters in Business Management and in the Police Olympics, she was a multi-gold medallist.

This will be the 5th in a series of public events designed by the Rainbow Community. Info: 925-210-0563 ▼

# UNDER THE DOME

## Will Gay Voters Fall for the Republicans?

It is known that the Republicans' acceptance on gay issues is neither definite nor positive, but by now, this might not be the case anymore. Recently, anti-gay organizations such as American Family Association, American for Truths about Homosexuality, Straight from the Heart, and Mission America to name a few, have composed a "pledge" that was circulated to the Republicans. This further reinforces the fact that the Republicans are changing their way regarding homosexuality since some Republicans decided not to sign the pledge, including these three major ones: Governor George W. Bush, Texas, Elizabeth Dole, and Senator John McCain, Arizona.




The pledge contains opposition to same-sex marriage, gay as parent, civil rights protection against discrimination based on sexual orientation and preference, and the promotion of homosexual as an American norm.

In real life, unlike on paper, the Republican front-runners struggle with the contradictions in their anti-gay policies.

The Log Cabin Republicans, a national gay organization, and the New York Times both stated a change in the Republicans' receptivity towards gay voters. In a front-page article, The Times reported that the "top tier" GOP candidates appear to be welcoming gay support and have said they would not turn away contributions from gay voters.

Log Cabin Executive Director Rich Tafel wrote in a Log Cabin summary of Elizabeth Dole's record "It is widely known in Washington that she has always had openly Gay staffers in key positions through her years in government and the Red Cross."

According to an interview lead with the Houston Chronicle (August 19th), Texas' only openly gay state legislator lawmaker, State Rep. Glen Maxey, D-Austin, said in that Gov. George W. Bush had told him in April, "Glen, I value you as a person. I value you as a human being. And I want you to know that what I say publicly about gay people does not pertain to you personally." George W. Bush's openly gay friend and GOP consultant Charles Francis believes that "there's not an intolerant bone in the man's body." ▼

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# LOCAL NEWS

## Spiritual Picnic With Meatless Dogs

F.U.E.L., a non-denomination Women's Spiritual Center in Sacramento, are sponsoring the Hot Diggity Dog Cook-Out on Saturday, September 4, 12-2pm. Meat and meatless dogs, condiments, music and sodas will be provided but bring a side dish or dessert to share with others. Then, plan for the Fall Celebration on Sunday, September 26, 10am. where poetry, music, singing, and inspirational speaking will be celebrated. Both events will be held at 4510 Lemon Hill Ave., 99 South, Exit 47th Ave, east. Left at 44th St., and Right at Lemon Hill. Info: RSVP to Avery Nicole (393-2278 or fuel4all@juno.com, fuel@2xtreme.com). ▼

## Q-Spirit to Host Techno-Ritual as Official 1999 Oakland Pride Event

**San Francisco** – A Techno-Ritual dance and spiritual celebration titled "Coming Out/Coming In" will be held on Sunday, September 5, at 12-3pm, Nite Hall, 668-13th St, in Preservation Park, Oakland, as a part of Oakland's official "Stonewall 30" Gay Pride Celebration.

Techno-Rituals are multimedia celebrations that involve dancing, music, guided and participatory processes, artistic performances, and ritualistic drawings from a variety of the world's spiritual traditions. Christina de la Huerta, the Executive Director of Q-Spirit, said that these Techno-Rituals are necessary to "bring a sense of fun and an experience of celebration" to everyone's spirituality as well as to "foster a deeper sense of identity and purpose for GLBT people of all ages, and in particular, the younger generations."

Q-Spirit, a SF nonprofit organization and the producer of the Techno-Ritual, promotes personal growth and spiritual development in the GLBT community. Q-Spirit is a non-discriminatory forum in which anyone can come together to learn and share each other's different expressions, journeys, and practices. The organization has been doing very well and has deeply touched the lives of its participants. Event co-producer, Cheryl Rosenthal, hopes that more funds will be donated to the organization so that the events can spread "to other cities in the future."

The event in Oakland will be followed by "Rejuvenation Sunday", an Interfaith Service that will start at 3-5pm at the First Unitarian Church, 685-14th St. These Q-Spirit events are going to be alcohol-free. Admission is $10 (with additional $5 advance fee to enter Preservation Park). Advance tickets can be purchased at A Different Light Bookstore. Info: www.qspirit.org. ▼

## Men's Bereavement Group Forming and Changes with Women Group

In response to the announcement regarding the formation of a Lesbian Bereavement Group, we have received the request to do the same for any Gay Man who has suffered the loss of a loved one recently or not so recently. If anyone lives in the Central Sacramento, Mid-Town or Tahoe Park area, that can offer a residential meeting place, please contact Steve at: 456-8239, if need be, and please leave a message. Also, Katharine Davis is no longer spearheading the Lesbian Bereavement Group. So, if you'd like to take the ball and run with it, call Linda Birner with MGW at 441-6397. ▼

## New Chorus Starts Up

Diverse Individuals Vocalizing Affirmatively (DIVA) is a new mixed chorus in the Davis/Sacramento areas celebrating their first birthday this September. They are a non-auditioned chorus group who believes in each individual decision to sing with the group. The chorus will strive to sing a wide variety of choral literatures from classical to pop to Broadway show tunes. The mission is to strongly support the community. This past year, they hosted a 150-voice chorus for the Holy Union of Ellie and Jean at the Sacramento Community Center. Also, the chorus gave the city Davis their first pride concert, "Color of Pride '99". New members are being recruited Sept and Oct with rehearsal every Wednesday, 7-9:30pm. Info: Music Director Jim Parr: 921-0225. ▼

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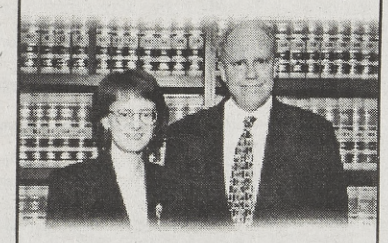

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# LOCAL NEWS

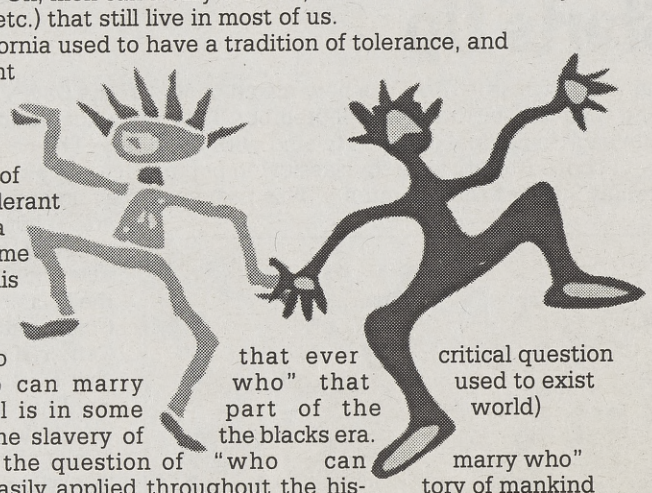
## The Knight Initiative: Let's Go Back to the Stone Age

*by Aizam Awang*
*MGW/Staff*

The Knight Initiative might be holy to some, but do these people really know what they are actually doing? Doesn't anyone ever try to think logically in regards to such an issue? Remember the old days when women were forced to live their entire life at home? When peasants or farmers were of very little value in comparison to aristocrats?

Thinking about the old days, one might not even decipher how such thinking (male domination of women, for example) could ever exist. Though we might eventually (maybe in a hundred years…) come to that hopeful time when discrimination is never a worry to anyone, we are still in the process of fighting the paranoia and hatred (or may it be POWER to control others? Or that feeling that one is superior in comparison to the rest… for example: Oh, men can marry women, but women can't marry women, etc.) that still live in most of us.

California used to have a tradition of tolerance, and the Knight Initiative is a brilliant example of how intolerant California has become lately. This initiative based itself to of "who can marry that ever critical question (and still is in some who" that used to exist during the slavery of part of the world) the blacks era.



Yes, the question of "who can marry who" can be easily applied throughout the history of mankind and those people who said that they don't have anything against bi-racial marriages are bloody liars when if you can listen to them discussing proudly about the Knight Initiative and its amazing power to protect the "sanctity of marriage" (marriage is so pure that the divorce courts are never used…). An interesting thought: Is marriage between the same race… HOMO-erotic?

If Knight Initiative is any indication to an anti-gay society in California, the destruction of hate crime legislation will not be all too surprising. The Knight Initiative might be dumb (the fact that it a really paranoid initiative - offering a solution to a non-existing problem – the fact that there is no initiatives for legalize same sex marriage), but GLBT community should be aware of this frightening development of anti-gay movements. Let us hope that Californians are still a tolerant society. If not, the Knight Initiative will be a success and the horror story that has already been started a long time ago will become worse. ▼

# WIRE NEWS BYTES

## "Amistad" As A Must Watch for Cross Burners

Four men who burned a cross in a black family's yard have been ordered by a judge to take racial sensitivity training that will include watching films like "Schindler's List", and "Amistad". They also owe the terrorized family a letter of apology.

"My first reaction was to lock you up and throw the key away," said the judge during sentencing. But then, he said that the men showed remorse and a willingness to be rehabilitated. "It's time to heal," he said.

The four men claimed that they were drunk when burning the cross on the black family's front lawn. After the happening, the family (a couple with two children) has moved away from the southeast Illinois area.

As part of the four men's sentence, the men must pay $500 each into an educational trust fund for the couple's daughter, and attend counseling as well as perform 100 hours of public service at an annual summer festival.

The judge also sentenced the four men to two and a half years of probation. They could face up to 2 years in prison if they fail to complete their tasks. ▼

## Answer: 3

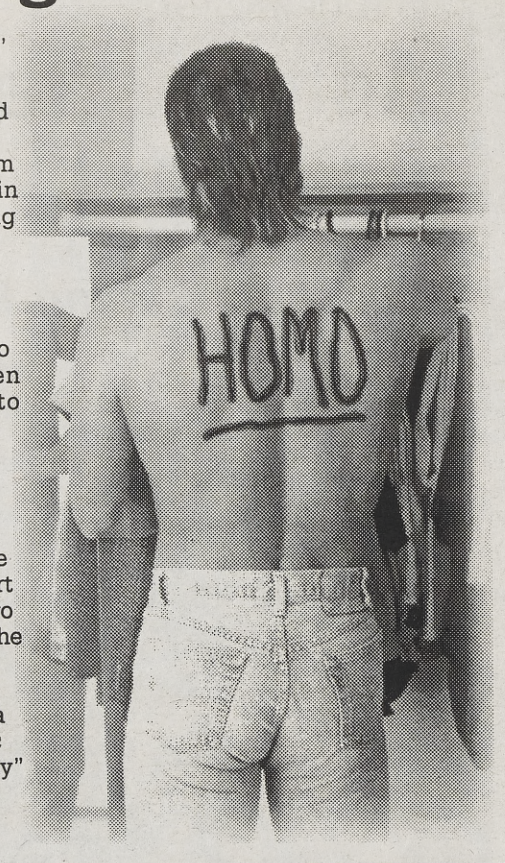
Three – the number of times Governor Bush used the F--- word in the Tucker Carlson interview in the premier issue of "Talk" magazine (yes, the same issue as the one with the First Lady.) ▼

## Transgendered Persons Included

Gender Advocacy Internet News reported that the Human Rights Campaign (HRC) Dinner Committee in New Orleans has recently sent a letter to HRC National Board of Directors soliciting that HRC support the inclusion of transgendered persons in Employment Non-Discrimination Act now. Diane Tanner, the president of the Gulf Gender Alliance, is very appreciative for what the New Orleans HRC Dinner Committee has done, saying that "It is encouraging to see the local HRC Dinner Committee join other local organizations which are united regarding the common goal of equal rights for all American, regardless of sexual orientation or gender identity." She also challenges other Transgendered leaders in other cities to do the same, especially those who have been a part of the HRC Dinners: It's time to ask the local HRC Dinner Committees "Why not?" ▼

## Two Charges Carved out

Jonathan Shapiro, 18, who was accused for carving the word "homo" on his victim's back in a dorm of a private academy in Gill, N.H., is only being charged with a single count of assault with dangerous weapon when prosecutors dropped the other two charges that was given to him earlier (intent to maim, and intent to intimidate).




The fate of his partner in crime, Matthew Rogers, is still unknown since it will be decided in a higher court (he is claimed by Shapiro to be the one who did the actual carving). All this just because the victim was a fan of "Queen": a rock band whose music was categorized as "gay" by both Shapiro and Rogers. ▼

## Anti-Gay Ad Confronts Candidates in Iowa

As presidential candidates and media flocked to the Republicans' Iowa Straw poll, a controversial newspaper has asked candidates to stand against GLBT equality.

Sponsored by the coalition of anti-gay groups, the ad in the August 13, Des Moines Register called on candidates to sign a pledge to, among other things, "resist all attempts to provide benefits and privileges traditionally accorded married couples to unmarried domestic partners" while opposing "federal legislation that would expand [non-discriminatory law] to include special legal protections based on sexual behavior or preference." ▼

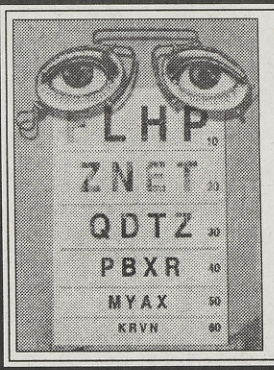
## "Homosexual Panic" In New Amedure Trial

"The Jenny Jones Show" gay murder case has taken a new twist: The killer of the gay Scott Amedure, Jonathan Schmitz (whose claim of mental illness as a defense was barred), is now claiming that Amedure had actually been stalking him ever since their appearance on the Springer-like talk show. It is sad to see that the defense team is falsely representing the already dead Amedure, painting a vision of a hate-crime victim into a lusty predator onto the eyes of the jury. ▼

## GLSEN, Dockers Partner to Bring Together Youth Leaders

The largest national summit of parents, educators, students, and concerned community members to end anti-gay bias in K-12 schools, "Teaching Respect for All '99", will be held for its second consecutive year on October 1-3 in Atlanta this year by the Gay, Lesbian, Straight Education Network (GLSEN).

Dockers Khaki will be funding a national scholarship program to bring over 100 youth to the conference. "These scholarship will allow youth activists and their adult allies to join together, learn from one another, and build stronger alliances as they work to end anti-gay harassment in hometown schools," said GLSEN Executive Director, Kevin Jennings. Info: (212) 727-0135, ext. 136. ▼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# NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT...

## Who's Really Fooling Around?

### The Story of Gingrich's Own Lewinski

That very person who was leading the charge against President Clinton and his relationship with Lewinski, Former House Speaker, Newt Gingrich, is actually in a similar situation as Clinton.

The 56-year-old Gingrich has been involved with a 33-year-old "non-cheerleader type" woman named Callista Bisek, a member of the House Agriculture Committee, for at least three years. Last month, Gingrich divorced his wife of 18 years, but it was confirmed that Bisek did not play any part in this particular scheme of Gingrich since Gingrich's marriage was already on the brink of separation even before her arrival. Gingrich's wife never suspected anything between the two lovebirds, and when it finally came to her, she was shocked by the news.

Newt Gingrich & Friend...

The blonde 5 foot 8 Bisek has been seen spending some generous amount of nights over at Gingrich's apartment near the Capitol, and a key is given to her for easy access while Gingrich has also been seen frequently in Fairlington of Arlington, Virginia where Bisek is living. Sources have also noticed that Bisek's ring finger has swollen lately: there's a large pearl ring on it!

Bisek has been praised with different colorful statements that range from being "attractive in a Hill (as in Hillary Clinton) kind of way", "kind, friendly person" who wears "strings of pearls" and is "very classy", up to being (most importantly) a "very fine French horn player" (and we thought that the whole cigar thing was bad enough!). ▼

## Orrin Hatch: A Tolerant? Or A Double-Talker?

After he stated to his fellow Republicans that they should feel proud of their party because they "don't have gays and lesbians with them," Senator Orrin Hatch wanted to confirm that he is not intolerant. He claimed that "he doesn't try to tell people how to live unless they ask him." As tolerant as he said he was, he said that "People of color can't do anything about their color" while "gay people have a choice to live within the legal rules or not." Nice comparison.

Senator Orrin Hatch

Mr. Tolerant further demonstrated his tolerance through his successful support on AIDS funding projects and recently, he had decided to show his tolerance by excluding gays as a protected group in his hate crime laws. Thought provoking. ▼

## Award-winning Lesbian Author Needs Help

Victoria Brownworth, a Pulitzer Prize nominee, is ill and in desperate need of help. Some of her books include "Too Queer: Essays From A Radical Life", "Restricted Access: Lesbians on Disability", and "Film Fatales: Independent Women Directors (with Judy M. Redding).
The following is an open letter from her: "It's so hard for me to write this. I am in so much physical and emotional pain, I don't know how I am going to get through this. Suicide seems to beckon ever more strongly because it is really hard for me to see a future for myself under these circumstances. But I know that until I get myself in a less scary financial place I can't even imagine what happens next. My friends keep telling me that I have so much more to give and so forth but all I can see is this yawning abyss.

**So here is the information:**

"I have a progressive neuromuscular disease that has left me in a wheelchair and dependent on others for basic needs such as bathing, cooking, cleaning, laundry. In addition, my vision is periodically affected by this, which makes me legally blind for long stretches. I am also seriously fatigued most of the time—muscle weakness and exhaustion. This makes work difficult. I am unable to do the long investigative magazine pieces that were both money-making and on which I built my career as a journalist because I can no longer physically go anywhere in order to do a story. And the work I can do—reviewing, columns—pay very little.

For the past few years my partner of twelve and a half years has provided most of the care for me, however she has left me, suddenly and without warning. I now find myself in a desperate situation. I no longer have the necessary physical help I had from her. In addition I find myself financially destitute because she has also left me with a significant amount of debt, including a mortgage in foreclosure. Though I have applied for disability, I have not yet been approved. There are no other financial services available to me in my city as welfare reform has made welfare available only to those physically able to work, which I am not. The MS society has given me a motorized wheelchair, which makes getting around downstairs in my house much easier, I cannot get out of my house easily—in fact with only three exceptions, I have only left my house to go to the hospital or doctors' appointments in the past three years. I am on a waiting list for a ramp and wheelchair lift for my house but that could take as long as two years. If I am awarded disability it is my understanding they will provide these services. In addition I must pay for health care and my medications alone run several hundred dollars a month.

My level of isolation is extreme, my level of fear even greater. Basically I am in danger of becoming homeless if I cannot get my bills brought up to date.

"I don't want to have to beg for help, and yet that is the position I find myself in. I am certain I am not the only lesbian out there who has found herself in similar circumstances. Perhaps as a community we need to be directing more energy toward care for those who are not middle class and who have no other supports. How easy it is to fall on extremely hard times when one has no savings and depends entirely on what work one can do to live. Certainly as we all get older this is going to happen to more and more of us. I certainly

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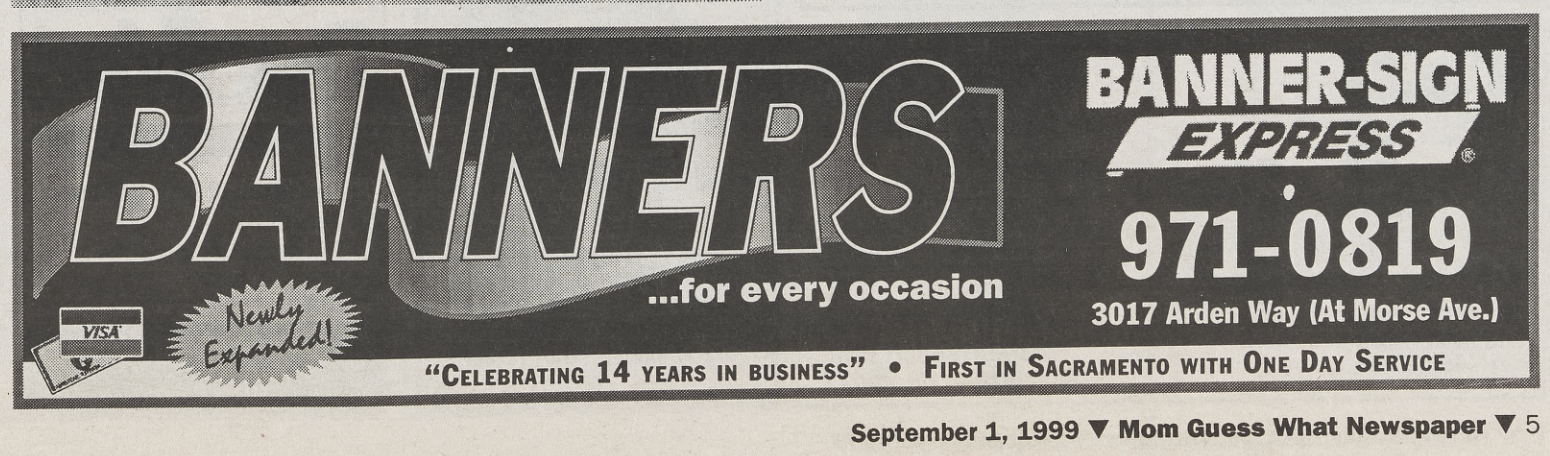
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# NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT...

## Presidential Candidates' Stand On Gay and Lesbian Issues

A new report, Y2K Presidential Candidates & Gay and Lesbian Equality, detailing where the current crop of presidential candidates stand on gay and lesbian issues was released by the Human Rights Campaign (HRC). While all leading candidates have so far moderated their tone on gay and lesbian issues, they will be put to the test for the first time by anti-gay and lesbian Americans.

"As president, I will resist all attempts to provide the benefits and privileges traditionally accorded married couples to unmarried 'domestic partners' - as such efforts diminish the unique role of marriage as the bedrock of family and society," read part of the pledge. The pledge continued, "As president, I will honor the spirit and intent of nondiscrimination politics and law by opposing

*"Gay and lesbian Americans want to know where the candidates stand... . They want to know if they are against employment discrimination... combating hate crimes and continuing the fight against AIDS."*

gay organizations who have demanded that all candidates sign a pledge against basic equality, says HRC.

"We welcome the change in tone by candidates who realize the gratuitous gay bashing is a losing strategy," said HRC Political Director, Winnie Stachelberg. "This right-wing pledge will be the first time this newfound tolerance will be tested."

Several right wing organizations placed a full-page ad in today's Des Moines Register asking that all presidential candidates sign a pledge to discriminate against federal legislation that would expand them to include special protections based on sexual behavior or preference."

"The lesson from the 1998 elections was the voters overwhelmingly reject extremism and divisive, anti-gay rhetoric," said Stachelberg. "Those candidates who embrace the far right and sign this pledge will see that while it might energize one base of voters, it will be at the expense of mainstream voters. Any candidate who signs this pledge is really pledging to ignore American voters who overwhelmingly support non-discrimination."

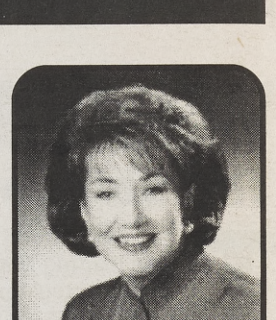
The Y2K Presidential Candidates & Gay and Lesbian Equality report, released one day before the Iowa GOP straw poll is designed to inform voters where the candidates stand on crucial gay and lesbian issues. The report is intended to be an early snapshot of the candidates.

"Gay and lesbian Americans want to know where the candidates stand on the basic issues of fairness," said Stachelberg.

Gay and lesbian Americans comprise a voting bloc that is the larger than the Jewish vote and is comparable in size to the Latino vote. Both political parties increasingly see gay and lesbian voters as a key group of constituents whose support can be the difference between victory and defeat, according to HRC.

"The HRC looks forward to contributing to their efforts to hold the presidential candidates accountable," said Stachelberg. "Together, we can make sure they communicate instead of equivocate on crucial issues of concern for gay and lesbian Americans." ▼

## Elizabeth Dole And Gay Issues


Elizabeth Dole

During the Meet the Press August 15th show, where Elizabeth Dole gave her opinions on two gay-oriented questions: A) On supporting the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy: "Yes... I think we should leave the policy the way it is." B) Her opinion regarding the New Jersey court decision relating to the Boy Scouts: "I think that's a situation that's going to end up before the Supreme Court. There are other states who have supported the Boy Scout's position. I have had the greatest respect for both Boy and Girl Scouts... parents make the decision as to what organizations they want their children to belong to." Info: http://www.msnbc.com/news/300879.asp ▼

## Tougher For Gore

During his education proposal speech in Fort Dodge, Iowa, Vice President Al Gore suggested that America needs tougher gun control and hate crime laws, especially after the violent and racist attacks by Buford O. Furrow. Gore also expressed his disappointment towards politicians who are still trying "to pass special protection for the gun manufacturers."

Vice President Al Gore

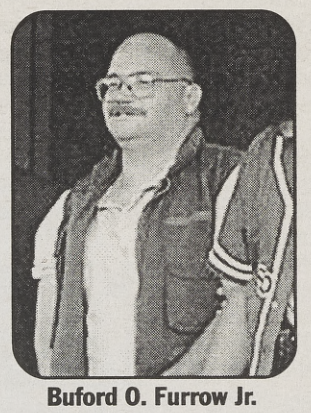
Republicans saw Gore's attack on the gun and hate crime issues as a gimmick rather than political honesty (he was there to present his proposal for education). Though Gore didn't give out the details of his tougher laws (except for the statement that he will make it hard for children and felons to get their supplies of gun), Gore was strong in urging students to be required "to stay in school until the age of 18." In addition, incentives are also given to states that use dropout prevention programs in their schools, a proposal that will promote a higher level of quality education in America. ▼

## Jews: Easy Targets In An Increasingly Violent Society

*MGW Staff*

It is a "wake up call to America to kill Jews," said Buford O. Furrow Jr. to the police when he was caught after his violent rampage in LA last month. Lately, the latest trend of inhuman treatments by those hard-to-detect social "psychotics" seems to be concentrating on the Jews (this includes the racist burning of three Sacramento's synagogues two weeks before Furrow's crazed actions). One might ask: Why is this so?

A typical response is rooted to the stereotype of Jews being the group of people to blame when there's something wrong with those hate group members' lives. To certain religious beliefs, the Jews are even categorized as a violent group of human beings who will be terminated when Doomsday occurs. A senior analyst at the Political Research Associates in Sommerville, Massachusetts, **Chip Berlet** offers a similar explanation of anti-Semitism acts: The demonizing, scapegoating, and conspiring stereotypical beliefs that have been associated with Jews seem to be heightened as the millennium approaches - marking the Jews as "Puppetmasters", a group of conspirators that these anti-Semites need to destroy. Such fatal accusations on Jews are widespread, especially in today's world with the help of the internet.


Buford O. Furrow Jr.

It is indecipherable sometimes to think that such hatred exists, but it is nonetheless a reality. There's always a group out there that wants to deliver violent massacre towards their target group. Situations like what had happened to the LA Jewish Center and the Asian postal worker are unpredictable, but not impossible to stop. Actions are usually taken when things already happened and it is this that we need to be clear of.

Actions must come first to end unwanted actions. Reactions will not undo the violent actions of these maniacs. Let us hope that the last shooting and death will be the LAST shooting and death that will ever happen not only to the Jewish community, but even to the GLBT community, or anyone else in general. ▼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# NATIONAL SPOTLIGHT...

## Long Distance Companies: Which One Is The Gay Friendliest?

Based on the current study of the top three long distance telephone companies (AT&T, MCI WorldCom, and Sprint), it has been decided that AT&T (not only being the financially richest) is the most gay friendly.

The protection that AT&T has given its GL employees (and customers, indirectly) is not the company's main strength in maintaining its gay friendliness, it is AT&T's commitment on this particular area that astonishes.

The anti-discrimination policy for AT&T was started in 1975, an early time that marked the post-born struggle of the GL community fighting for their civil rights. AT&T also has a GL group that was started in 1987 called LEAGUE, which became the first of its kind. AT&T's gay haven doesn't end just yet: Starting from the first day of January this year, AT&T granted domestic partnership benefits to unmarried employees (which includes unmarried straight couples). To diminish GL sexual discriminations, AT&T has included GL issues as one of the main topic to discuss during its diversity training.

Though AT&T's gay friendliness is magnificent, this does not mean that MCI and Sprint are anti-gay. Sprint does have a nondiscrimination policy for GL, while MCI WorldCom applied a more generic solution to support their GL employees: it gives out, without discrimination, a lot of different benefits to all of its employees. ▼

## Jumping Into Paranoia Did the Baptist Minister

A transgendered lawyer, Phyllis Frye, of Houston has recently stop carrying any name change order cases for her transgendered clients after Rev. Dr. Rick Scarborough, a pastor of the First Baptist Church in Texas, claimed that it will open up a large opportunity for same sex marriages. Frye believes that "a marriage without a change of the birth certificate would be fraudulent and illegal" and even though she said that it would be possible to "get a marriage license" after the name change, "it would be a fraud" since same sex marriages are still illegal.

Another lawyer who handles name changes, Connie Moore, laughs at the minister's paranoid conclusion to the name changing issue. To Moore, she is confident that in their fight to legalize same sex marriage, the GLBT community knows that it is the law that should be changed and not their names or sexes.

Frye does not plan to stop carrying name change orders for long but she will not give out details on what she might do next. Frye doesn't want anyone like Scarborough to cause her any problem regarding the matter.▼

# SPORTS / FITNESS

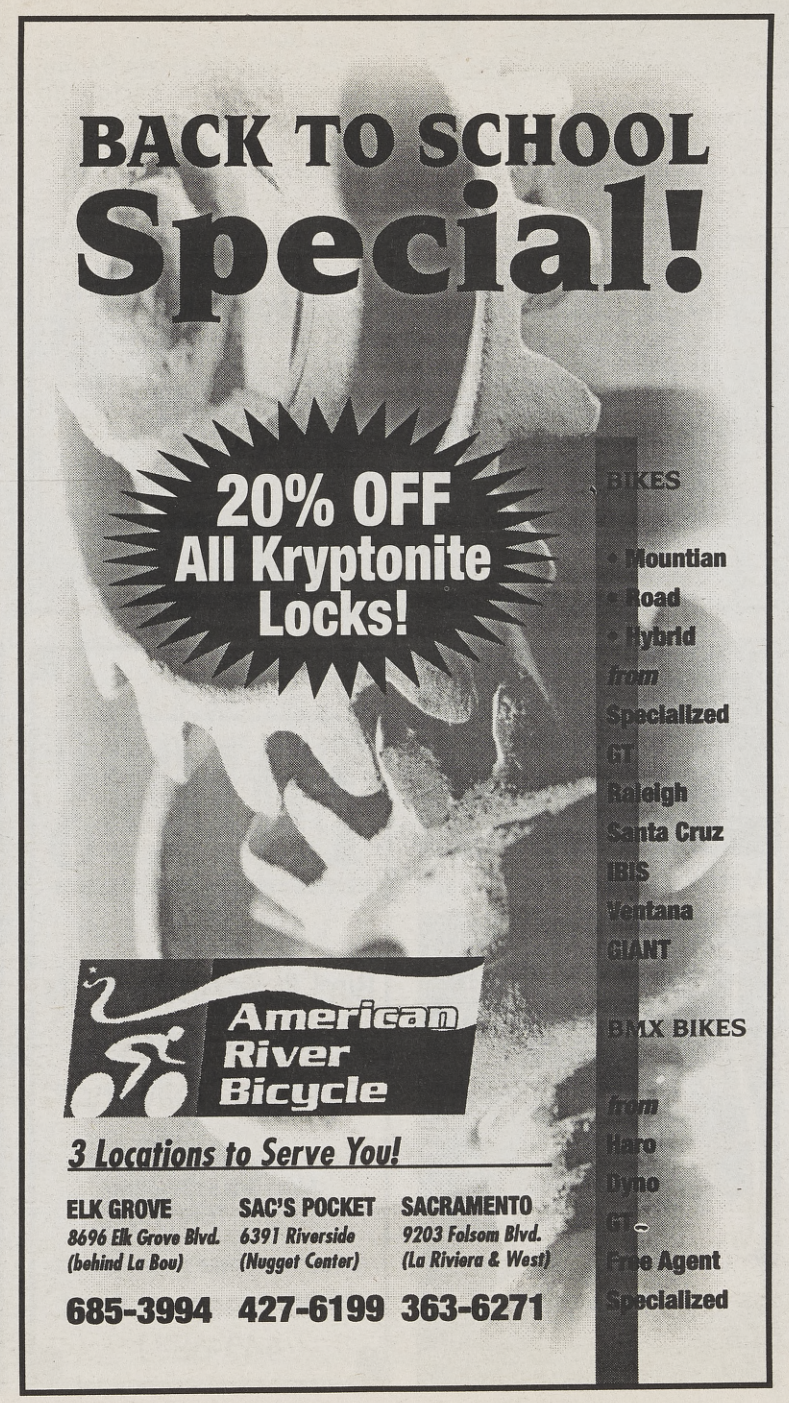
## More Than Eating Wild Kiwi...

"If this is Tuesday, I must be in Belgium," was the call of the weary traveler in the 1950's, when world travel meant bouncing between ten European capitals in ten days. A new twist on that theme comes from Alyson Adventures, a gay tour operator, which offers 17 days in a single country – but with a different activity every day.

On their new Wild Kiwi trip, Alyson Adventures offers a wide choice of varied activities on the South Island of New Zealand. Travelers can swim with dolphins one day, then hike past the twisted ice sculptures of Fox Glacier. Other activities range from mountain biking and paragliding to rock climbing and kayaking. And, of course, there's an opportunity for a bungee jump at the bridge near Queenstown, where it started.

The highlight is the new sport of canyoning, in which participants make their way down a narrow canyon by an assortment of techniques: shooting down natural waterslides, jumping through waterfalls, and rappelling into pools of water one hundred feet below.
Info:
800-825-9766. ▼

*Alyson Adventures offers a new twist in travel: Seventeen activities in 17 days: On their ninth day in New Zealand, Wild Kiwi participants hike over the crevasses and ridges of Fox Glacier.*

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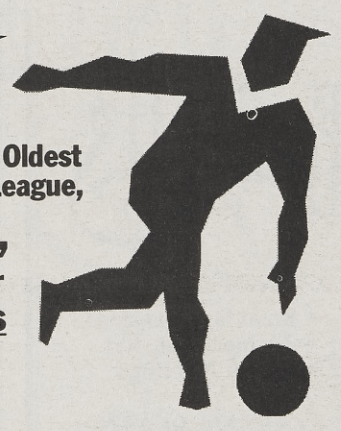

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# Metro City Café is Refreshing

*by Randy Hartley*
*MGW/Staff*

Proprietor, **Michael Estupinian** recently opened **Metro City Café** on June 15. Formally the **Camellia Bar & Grill,** the cafe is Michael's first restaurant venture and the transformation is outstanding! I was pleasantly surprised when I walked through the doors and got the sense that the restaurant had been opened for a longer period of time.

Executive Chef, **David Mann** formally from **La Italian, Terrace Grill** and most recently **Restaurant 1201** brought his excellent cooking and presentation skills to perfectly compliment the crisp, light and airy dining room.

The décor is fresh and there are paned windows

with green café curtains and linen napkins, off white linen table clothes. The tables are nicely appointed with fresh flowers, Rosemary flavored olive oil and Balsamic Vinegar decanters. There are comfortable booths and tables and pleasant artwork by local artists available for purchase. The dinning room is open to the attractive bar.

The wait staff is friendly, professional, well dressed and groomed.

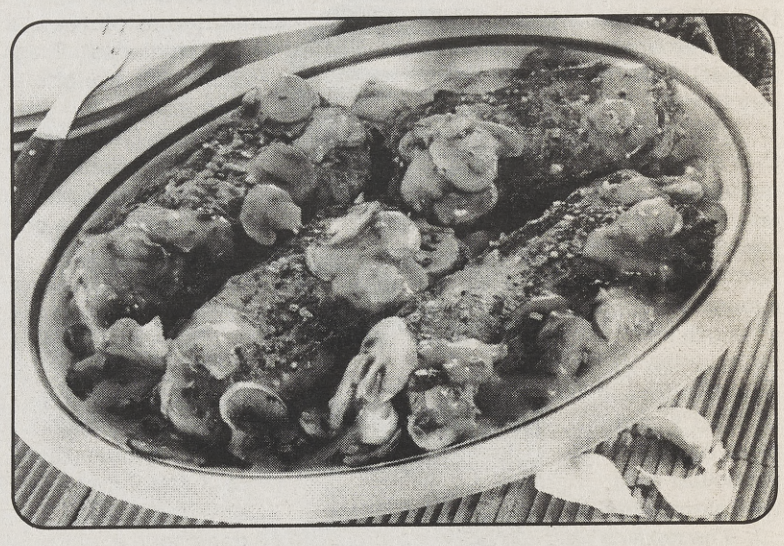
The food served is fresh California with eclectic flavors and includes an excellent variety of appetizers, salads, soups and entrees. The plates include fresh edible flowers, and are artistically presented. The portions are more than adequate. Entrees include a starch and vegetable.

Appetizers include Potato Crusted Dungeness Crab Cakes, Portobello mushroom and vegetable mixed grill, Cured Salmon-Crispy Potato & Avocado Napoleon, Spicy ginger beef skewers and corn meal crusted calamari ranging from $6.95 – $9.95. I tried the crab cakes and they were absolutely some of the best I have ever eaten.

Salads are fresh and crisp and the selections are House Spinach, Caesar, and Chicken Cobb Salads. I tried the Chicken Cobb salad for lunch earlier in the week and it was perfect!

If you just want a sandwich for lunch or dinner there are House Smoked Turkey & Bacon, Metro City Café Monster Cheeseburger on focaccia and Portobello mushroom & roasted pepper with artichokes, sprouts, jack cheese & Sun dried tomato spread between $5.95 – $7.95. The seared rare yellow Fin Ahi sandwich with Wasabi mayonnaise, avocado and sprouts for $10.95 is outstanding!

David has created some outstanding entrees that include Red Wine Marinated Pork Tender Loin & mashed potatoes with Tyme Demi Glace & Truffle oil; Pan roasted Salmon & Pearl Couscous with summer fruit-Jicama Relish & Citron Crème Fraiche; Organic Pasta Penne & Parma Ham with Portobello mushroom, roasted garlic jus, Asiago cheese & artichokes; oven roasted chicken breast stuffed with Parma, Sundried tomatoes, basil & goat cheese; Spicy ginger-soy marinated Hanger steak with Portobello mushrooms, crispy onions & a sweet teriyaki glaze; Vegetable Egg Shell pasta & Goat cheese with sun dried tomatoes, Pine nuts, Nicoise olives, Basil and Olive oil; and Seared rare herb & Ginger crusted Yellow Fin Ahi with spicy Hunan noodles & Citrus-soy vinaigrette ranging from $6.95 – $17.95.



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I tried the Pork Tender Loin that David excellently prepared and it was delicious!

More sandwiches and pastas are offered for luncheon, otherwise the menu is about the same with portions and prices smaller.

The patrons are mature, professional and neighborhood types. The noise level is moderate and not obtrusive.

For dessert I tried the lovely combination of fresh berries with three little mounds of whipping cream and pieces of gourmet dark chocolate with Guenoc Vintage Port. A wonderful combination and highly recommended!

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There is full bar featuring fourteen different single malt Scotch's, Micro Beers and an outstanding selection of wines.

Lance the bartender-waiter is also very knowledgeable about which wines compliment the wonderful cuisine. I understand that Lance is quite a gourmet chef too...

Metro City Café is a great find and one that I shall visit again soon. I recommend that you visit too before everyone catches on to this wonderful restaurant! ▼

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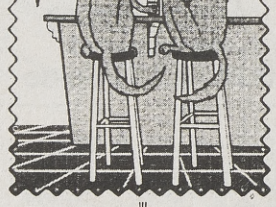

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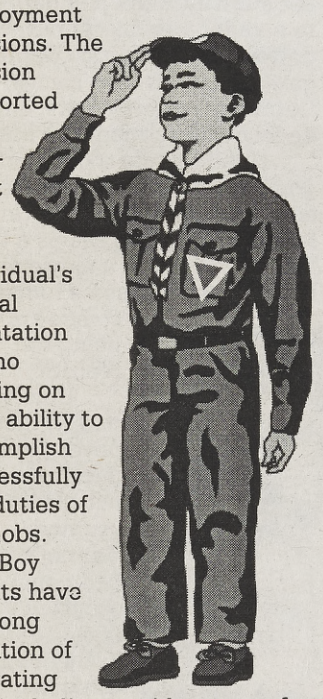
## Chicago Boy Scouts Shall Not Discriminate

A Cook County Circuit Court Judge, Stephen A. Schiller, barred the Chicago Area Council of the Boy Scouts of America from considering the sexual orientation of applicants in their employment decisions. The decision supported the argument that an individual's sexual orientation has no bearing on their ability to accomplish successfully the duties of any jobs.



The Boy Scouts have a strong tradition of tolerating and including a wide range of religious and moral viewpoints within their membership and among their sponsoring organizations; in other words, it is totally illogical for them to discriminate while employing on the basis of sexual orientation since this will be antithetical to their strong tradition mentioned above. ▼

# Pentagon... Why Can't They Ask? Why Can't We Tell?

*MGW Staff*

When a gay soldier, Barry Winchell, was bludgeoned to death last July, Pentagon began to take notice on how fatal Clinton administration's "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy was. Thought to be the "best" solution to counter homophobia and sexual discrimination in the military when it was first applied in 1994, the policy that was never promising as a powerful protection for gays and lesbians became a viscous terminator of those it should have been protecting.

Just last year, about 1,000 soldiers were discharged from the military for their homosexuality and Pentagon claimed that this happened when they became open about their homosexuality. To the Pentagon and its "DADT", one can only serve in the military when one can be quiet when one is gay.

But then again, "homosexuality" that was attached to some of the soldiers did not necessarily come from being an actual homosexual. For example, there was a case in which a female soldier was branded a lesbian when she rejected the approach of a horny male superior officer. Strangely enough, consistency is never a characteristic of the "DADT" policy–when gay soldiers step out of the closet, they are closeted from the army, but when the Pentagon pursues and asks these gay soldiers (or non-gay ones), it is never prosecuted.

Indeed the brutal death of Barry Winchell had forced Pentagon to take action regarding their policy on homosexuality, but instead of fixing the problem from its core, the Pentagon wants to keep the "Don't Ask, Don't Tell" policy.

All that the Pentagon wanted to do is to clarify certain aspects of the policy and these include: Homosexuality search will not be done without the approval from senior officials (notice the already existing bias: if the policy ask to not "Ask", why is this rule on investigation exists?), and an anti-harassment training will be made available for soldiers so that they will know how to handle gay-related situations.

Yes, "DADT" prevails. Beside taking the matter into serious hand, the Pentagon is satisfied with just a quick fix. Besides, some of the soldiers have already obtained a negative attitude regarding homosexuality. When one soldier was asked about the policy, for example, he said that it would be better for homosexuals to be quiet about their sexuality since he does not want to be working along with them if he knows that they are gay (the thought of their skin touching his is quite offensive to him).

Is it a real shame that a "Do Ask, Don't Discriminate" policy is not established. It seems as if Pentagon wants homosexual soldiers to be under stress and fear as they try to hide the integral part of their personality away from themselves and others. Evidently, the GLBT community has a long way to go before they can find a world with no discrimination based on sexual orientation. ▼

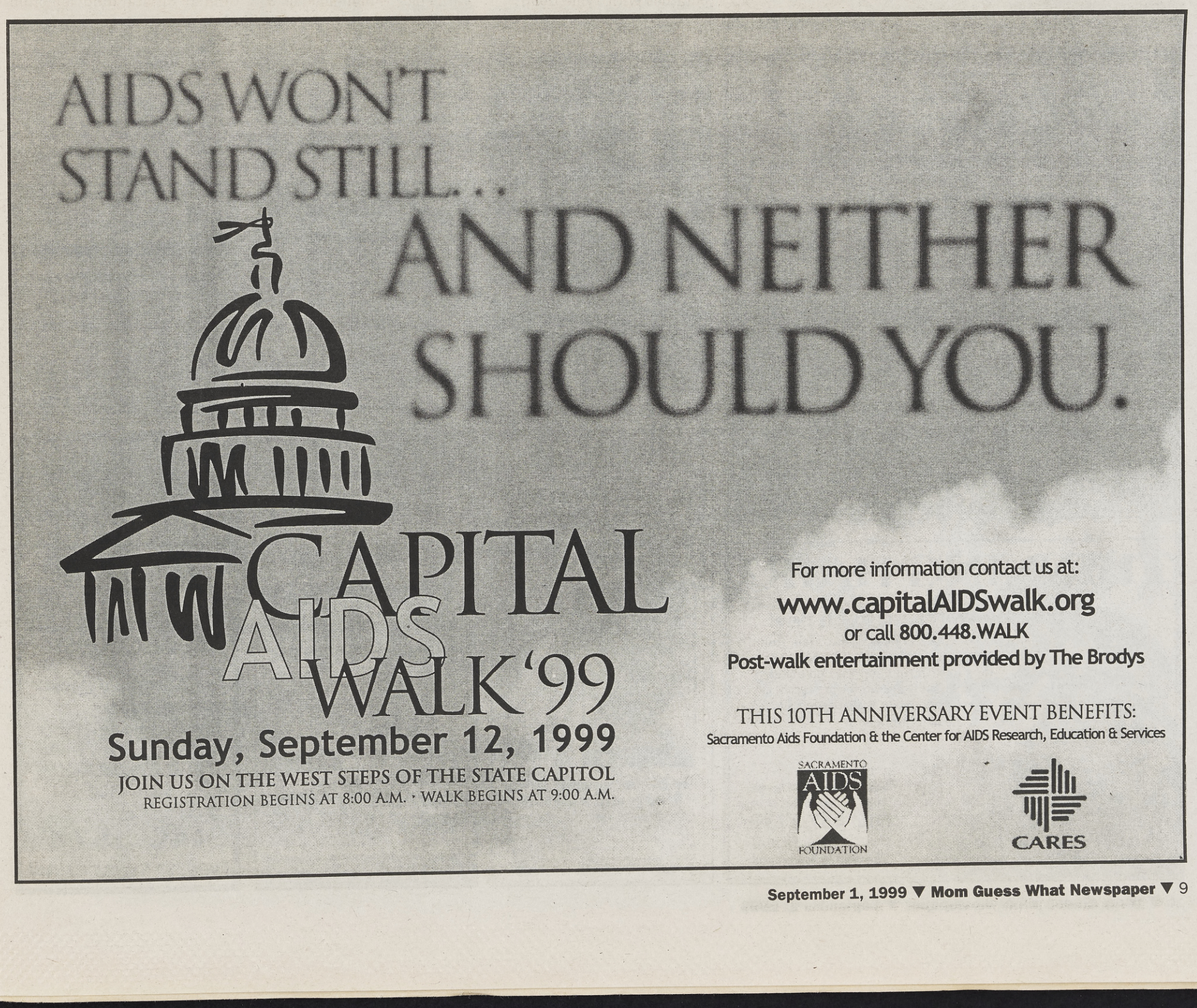
## VA Approves Gay Memorial

Wally Straughn, President of Phoenix Gay, Lesbian & Bisexual Veterans of America (GLBVA), announced that the Acting Under Secretary for Memorial Affairs in the National Cemetery Administration, Roger Rapp, has accepted the design and authorized the donation of a memorial of GLBT Veterans of the US Armed Services.

Located in the Founders' Plaza of the National Cemetery in North Phoenix, The Rainbow Memorial will be a boulder shaped monument, made of rainbow granite. On its face will be inscribed, "VETERANS MEMORIAL, In Loving Memory of all Veterans who served with courage and pride." The National Memorial Cemetery of Arizona is currently undergoing a $13 million improvement and is expected to be placed in the new plaza to be dedicated on Veterans Day 2000.

Other veteran groups also approve the memorial. Julius Marklary, a 21-year army veteran who lives in Douglas, Arizona, is the State Commander of the American Legion. To him, "These people do good things. They have their rights too." An Administrative Officer, Gil LaMontagne of the statewide chapter of Veterans of Foreign Wars, agrees: "We've never protested against anyone putting a memorial in the National Cemetery."

Info: GLBVA, 602-864-6092, 205-833-8391. ▼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## Camellia Symphony Is Expanding and Calls for the Civic Minded

The Camellia, recently celebrating its 37th year anniversary and the winner of the 7 national ASCAP awards, has decided to expand its horizons, performance schedules, and board membership. The Camellia Symphony Association is a fiscally responsible as well as financially stable 501 (c)(3) non-profit organization that operates on a budget of approximately $100,000 and is led by a volunteer board of directors. The candidates that the Camellia will be interested in must be civic minded, music loving, and disciplined in music, management, education, accounting, marketing, and public/press relations. There is also going to be an establishment of a Student Board chair that is specifically targeted at high school or college level students who are interested in this dynamic organization and its mission.

Through its artistic excellence, the Camellia enhances the cultural life and civic pride of the community. Through its education programs, the Orchestra shares its unique resources to future generations. The Camellia is an institution committed to outstanding and exciting programs to sound management of its organizational and financial affairs. The board of directors respectfully requests your involvement to ensure the continuation of this vital community service.

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## Theatrical Production Investment – Is It Affordable?

Have you ever thought of investing in the creative industry of theater production? If you are playing around with the idea of getting yourself involved with the theater industry, consider this statement that a theater producer, **Benjamin Mordecai**, has to say: "Don't invest anything you're not prepared to lose totally."

Investing in a theatrical production is a very risky business. To be really successful in working it out, one must first understand the underlying mechanics of handling the business. The usual way of handling the amount of investors in your production is through the creation of a limited partnership investment, as most producers in New York do with their production companies.

General partner in a limited partnership will be those limited number of investors who have direct control over the overall aspects of the production, while the limited partners are merely those who are kept informed about the production but have no direct involvement in the production. Other ways to

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## Lust at First Sight

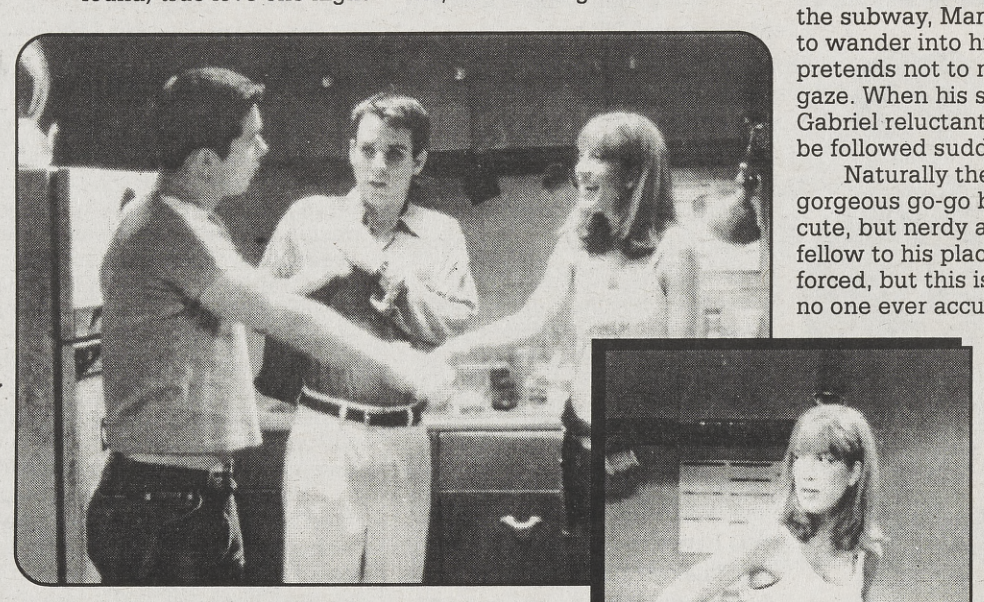
*by Stefan Grünwedel*
*MGW/Staff*

**TRICK. Starring Tori Spelling, Christian Campbell, and John Paul Pitoc. Directed by Jim Fall. (90 min.)**

Jim Fall's TRICK is an amusing, unpretentious portrait of a cute gay kid who finds (or may have found) true love one night in New York City. Assisted by a capable group of actors, the film bounces its merry way among the interconnected lives of several improbable (or are they just so New Yorker?) characters over a 24-hour period.

They laugh, they sing, they try to get lucky.

Gabriel (Campbell) is an aspiring musical theater writer whose songs are as boring as his life is. When he's not writing, he's hanging around with his actress friend Katherine (Spelling), who always wants him to practice her lines with her. When he's not hanging around her, he's waiting outside his shared studio apartment for his straight, sexually active roommate to finish his affairs inside.



**Mark (J.P. Pitoc), Gabriel (Christian Campbell), and Katherine (Tori Spelling) in "Trick" directed by Jim Fall. Katherine (Tori) also at right.**

A friend who spots talent in him encourages him to do something exciting so he'll be able to draw on realistic emotions when he composes his next songs. With that encouragement, Gabriel visits a local cruise bar, where he deflects the advances of several men but becomes smitten by the good looks of a red-thong-wearing go-go dancer named Mark (Pitoc).

On Gabriel's way home on the subway, Mark just happens to wander into his car but pretends not to notice Gabriel's gaze. When his stop comes, Gabriel reluctantly exits, only to be followed suddenly by Mark.

Naturally the thought of a gorgeous go-go boy following a cute, but nerdy and awkward fellow to his place seems a tad forced, but this is a movie and no one ever accused a romantic comedy of being too realistic.

Unfortunately, they never "connect" throughout the whole evening. Gabriel's bedroom is occupied because Katherine is using his computer to print out a hundred copies of her resume. Then his roommate arrives early with his girlfriend in tow. These (and other) misadventures give TRICK some charming qualities.

Various comedic situations ensue, revealing Gabriel to be rather horny for such a shy, boy-

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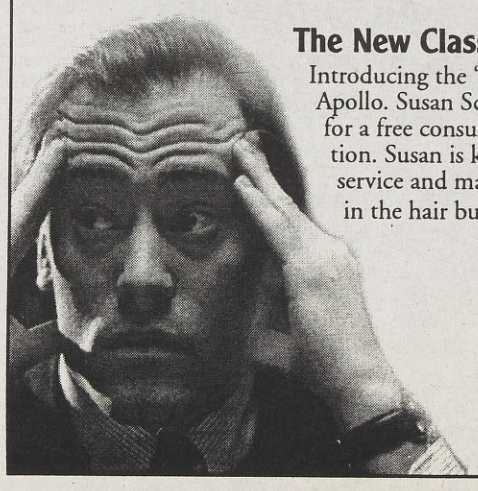
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# HOLLYWOOD IN REVIEW...

## The Queer Bitch Project

*by Gerald Semas*
*MGW/Staff*

### Film

It's a documentary which has been the talk of numerous film festivals and it's NOT The Blair Witch Project. It's Get Bruce, director **Andrew J. Kuehn's** look at flamboyant writer and giggle meister, **Bruce Vilanch**. While you may not know the name you will probably know the face. Vilanch is the bespecled, red hair and bearded funnyman who writes for the Oscars and can be frequently found on Hollywood Squares. The film looks at his life and work while creating jokes for award shows and numerous celebrities. Many of Vilanch's friends and clients appear as themselves, including **Bette Midler, Billy Crystal, Robin Williams, Whoopi Goldberg, Rosie O'Donnell, Lily Tomlin** and **Nathan Lane**. ▼▼▼

**Robin Williams surfin' the net.**

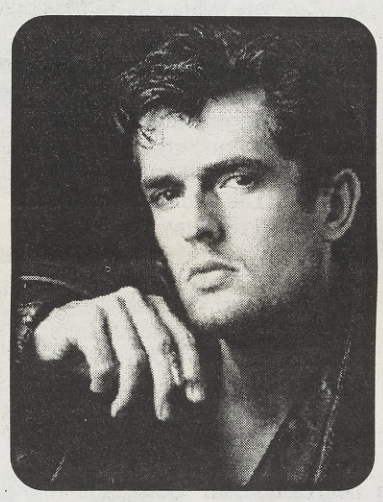
**Craig Ferguson**, Drew Carey's egocentric boss on the hit ABC series, plays a Gay Scottish hairstylist in the new release The Big Tease. Originally titled Je M'Appelle Crawford, the film follows Ferguson as his dream comes true to attend the World Hair Federations Platinum Scissor competition. The cast includes **Frances Fisher** (Titanic), **David Rasche** (Friends & Lovers), **Donal Logue** (Runaway Bride), **Sara Gilbert** (Roseanne) and **David Hasselhoff** as himself. **Kevin Allen** (Twin Town) directs this comedy which Ferguson describes as the story of "the little hairdresser that could!"

Audiences gave a warm welcome to director **Rose Troche's** (Go Fish) latest film Bedrooms & Hallways at last years London Film Festival. Now American audiences can judge for themselves when the movie hits US shores in the next few weeks. The film features **Kevin McKidd** (Trainspotting) as a man attending a support group after numerous failed relationships with females. Questioning his own desires, he admits his attraction to a male member of the group, who reciprocates, only to find new turmoil when reunited with his high school girlfriend. Set in London, this romantic comedy stars **Simon Callow** (Four Weddings and a Funeral), **Hugo Weaving** (The

**Bruce Vilanch with Bette Midler.**

Adventures of Priscilla, Queen of the Desert) and **Jennifer Ehle** (Wilde). ▼▼▼

Another long delayed **Rupert Everett** (My Best Friend's Wedding) project is heading to theatres from coast to coast. It's called B. Monkey and comes from director **Michael Radford** (Il Postino). **Jared Harris** (I Shot Andy Warhol) plays a quiet proper school teacher who meets Beatrice, a girl who takes him on a dangerous and erotic romp through the wild side of London. Isn't that pretty much two streets in Soho? Co-starring with Everett and Harris are **Jonathan Rhys-Meyers** (Velvet Goldmine) and **Ian Hart** (Hollow Reed). ▼▼▼



**A rather swishy Rupert–you go girl!**

**Stephen Rea's** (The Crying Game) new movie has nothing to do with the Camelot or the round table despite it's name, Guinevere. Directed by Audrey Wells (The Truth About Cats & Dogs) the romantic drama is being referred to as a cross between My So-Called Life and Lolita. I'm still waiting for a cross between 'Home Improvement' and 'Caligula.' The cast features **Sarah Polley** (Go), **Jean Smart** (Designing Women), **Carrie Peterson** (My Best Friend's Wedding), **Sandra Oh** (Rita on 'Arliss) and that fabulous Queen of Cabaret, Miss **Sharon McKnight.** ▼▼▼

**Michael Jeter** (Evening Shade) joins **Robin Williams** (The Birdcage) in Jakob The Liar. Many will compare the project to **Roberto Benigni's** Life Is Beautiful as the film is set in a Jewish Ghetto durring Nazi occupation of WWII on centers on hope in the face of adversity. Williams plays Jakob Heym, a man who fakes Allied radio broadcasts to boost the spirits of his fellow captives. Also in the ensemble are **Nina Siemaszko** (More Tales of the City), **Liev Schreiber** (Scream), **Bob Balaban** (Waiting for Guffman) and **Alan Arkin**. ▼▼▼

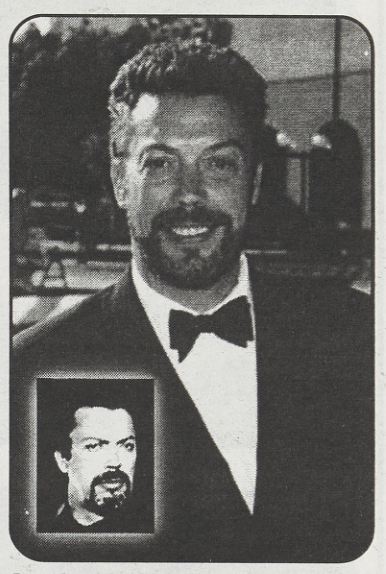
### Theatre

God save the Queen! That is, when she begins previews at Broadway's Booth Theatre Sept. 15th. Not Elizabeth II, but drag queen **Barry Humphries** in Dame Edna: The Royal Tour. The show's formal opening is Oct. 17th and just concluded a run at SF's Theater on the Square last January. The show consists of the Dame's observations on Britian's Royal family, baby-sitters and her pet project, the Prostate Olympics 2000. You think registration is closed or maybe they still have openings? ▼▼▼ The 13th Annual Broadway Flea Market and Grand Auction returns to Manhattan's Shubert Alley on Sept. 19th. The all day event is a fundraiser for Broadway Cares/Equity Fights AIDS. ▼▼▼ Solo Mio, the 9th annual festival of solo performers gets under way at S.F.'s Fort Mason in September. Past year's events have featured some notable names in the world of theatre. ▼▼▼ The all-male dance troupe, Les Ballets Trockadero de Monte Carlo returns to the UK for a three-week run at Londons Peacock Theatre Sept. 8th. But remember that this is a far cry from Matthew Bourne's Swan Lake. ▼▼▼

### Television

Among all the media fuss over the limited amount of non-white roles in the upcoming Fall schedule, one other element is being ignored. How many new shows are about or include Gay/Lesbian characters? Though **Ellen Degeneres** is being courted by CBS for a new series and Will & Grace is returning to NBC, there isn't a lot of hope on the horizon. The new FOX series Action stars **Jay Mohr** (Go) and **Illeana Douglas** in this racy dramedy about a wild Hollywood producer. One story element focuses on a closted Gay movie mogul who marries Mohr's ex-girlfriend as a cover. **Jack Plotnick** who appeared in the critically acclaimed Gods and Monsters plays a Gay character in the show. ▼▼▼

**Tim Curry** has a new FOX series called The Unbelievables about a group of retired superheroes. **Corbin Bernsen** plays their leader who try to reenter the job market of making the world safe from evil. Curry will play his arch nemesis, who runs a coffe shop and juice store by day. Following the hype of the summer film Mystery Men, FOX is counting on this being a hit. Though Curry is a great talent, his record with hit series is pretty dismal. ▼▼▼



**A rather dashing Tim Curry.**

ABC has the new series Wasteland from Dawson's Creek creator **Kevin Williamson**. This display of post college youth culture stars **Brad Rowe** (Billy's Hollywood Screen Kiss) and **Dan Montgomery** (Red Dirt) as a closeted soap opera star paranoid of being outed. This is set in modern times so the name Rock Hudson

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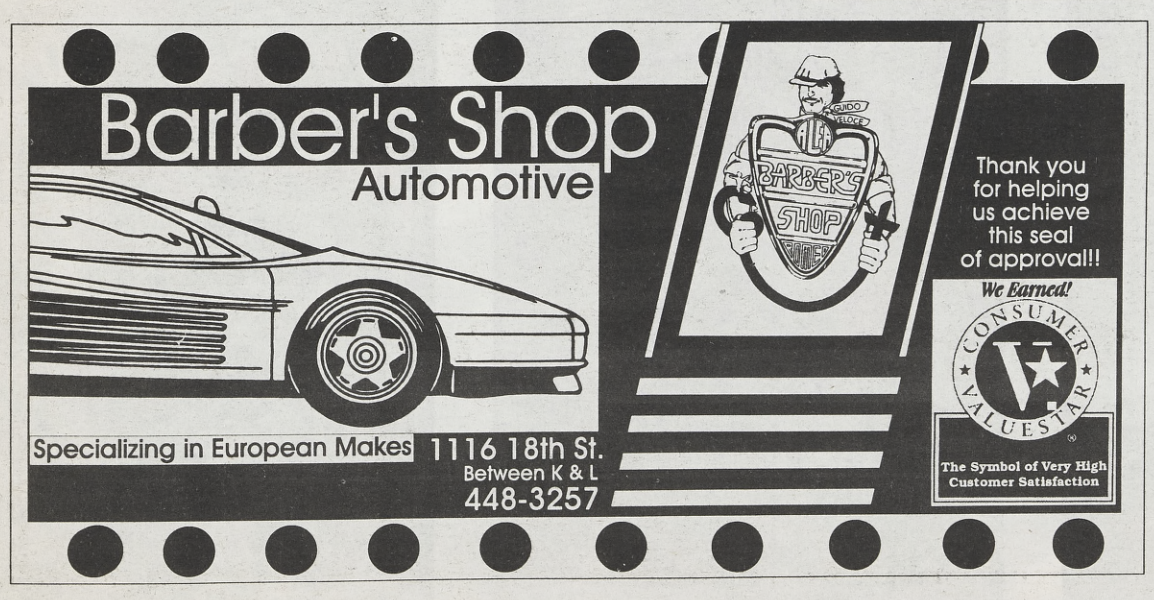


# Sacramento Rides Into The First Gay Rodeo!!

The Sierra Stampede on August 20-23 was organized with the dedication of Mark L. Marshall, Paul Klein, Matt Bowers, Sammy Van Galder, Scott Singer, Jeff Bosacki, Jim Joseph, Steve Terry and Bill Hause. This was the first gay Rodeo in the Sacramento area organized by the Capital Crossroads Chapter of the Golden State Gay Rodeo Association (GSGRA). The Capital Crossroads Chapter is incorporated with the State of California as the Capital Crossroads Rodeo Association (CCRA), a 501 (c) (3) non-profit, charitable organization.

The parent organizations, both GSGRA and the International Gay Rodeo Association (IGRA) have successful track records in fundraising. This event benefits the Sacramento AIDS Foundation. Along with the outstanding Board of Directors, local businesses and volunteers helped, financed, organized, and donated their services. The following is a partial list: **Budweiser, Wells Fargo, AVIS, Piper Jaffray, Paine Webber, Joseph's, The Bolt, Faces, The Depot, Bill Hause, Work, Work, Work Inc., Heritage Comstock Hotel (Beverly Garlund).**

The Rodeo staff reported approximately 400 people attended Saturday, and 200 on Sunday. The Friday night Welcome Dance with **The Country Knight Cloggers, San Francisco Saddletramps,** and **The Barbary Coast Cloggers** started off the evening of dancing and entertainers with a record crowd of 700!! Earlier in the evening, boaters bucked all the way up-river to Verona Village!!

On Saturday, the Grand Entry was Reverend Freda Smith, ... not on a horse but on a metal horse with higher horsepower! In the evening a well-attended BBQ at Joseph's Grill and Bar, and the Bolt. Instead of clowns helping to save the cowboys and cowgirls, special help came from "Cowdrags"!!

Sunday evening, afforded a Happy Hour at Faces, and the Awards Ceremony and Ball were at the Heritage Hotel.

**1975** started the historical gay and lesbian Rodeos with Reno's Phil Ragsdale in the saddle, that year's emperor in Reno, chose to benefit the Muscular Dystrophy Association. The Washoe County Fairgrounds told Ragsdale that the first available date was October 2, **1976**, he accepted. Next he contracted obtain livestock. But when locals heard that the g the event, livestock suddenly became unavailable flourished and the rodeo was launched.

In **1981** an energetic Texas contingent arrive and meeting Wayne Jakino from Denver, later Jak other men formed the Colorado Gay Rodeo Assoc

In **1982** Colorado returned to Reno with over 400 members, including 43 contestants, a crowd in excess of 10,000 and Joan Rivers as Grand Marshal.

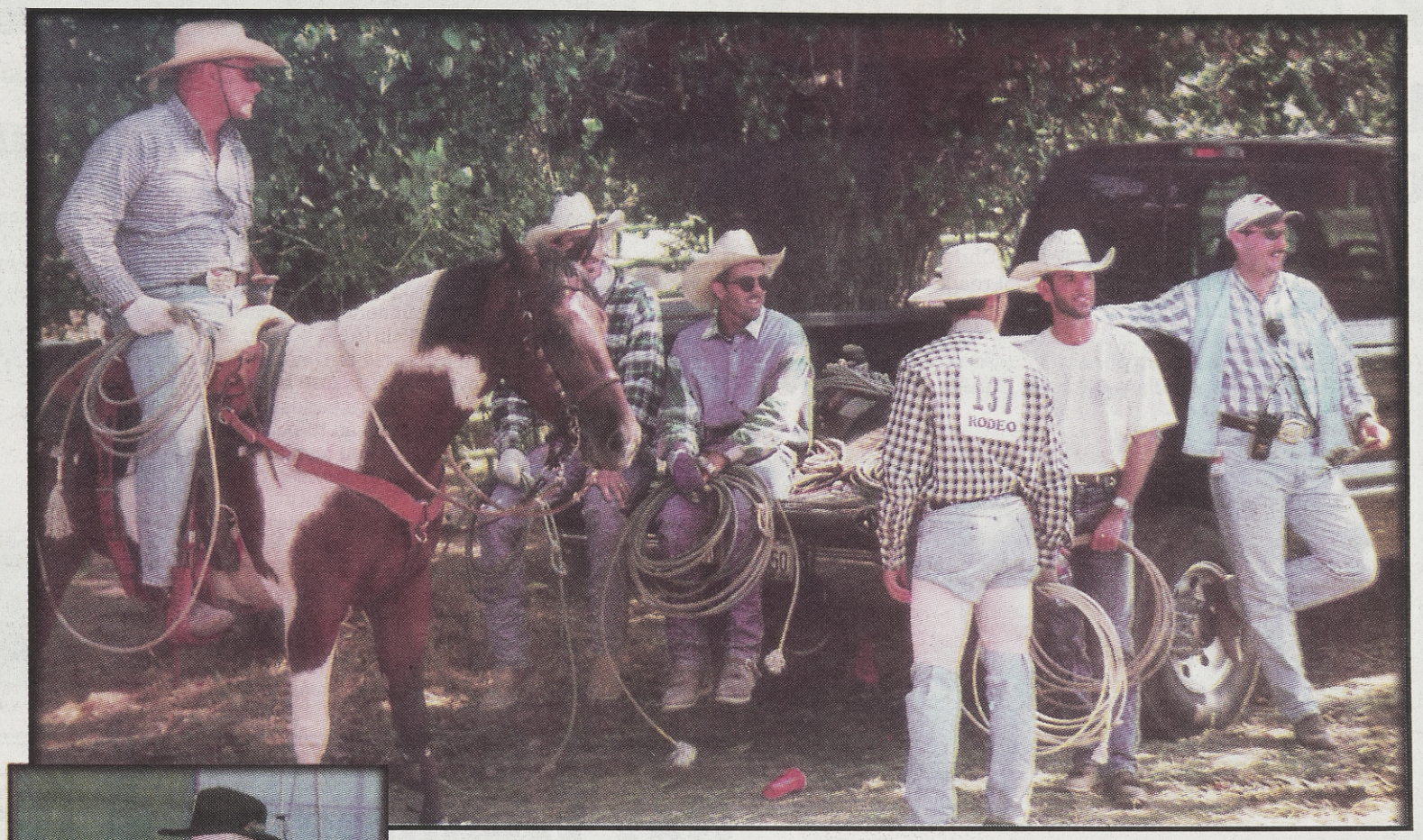
In **1983**, Denver became the second city to host the Rocky Mountain Regional Rodeo, only to have a torrential rain dumped on them. But the cowboy spirit swelled and the events went on! Later the Texas Gay Rodeo Association was formed.

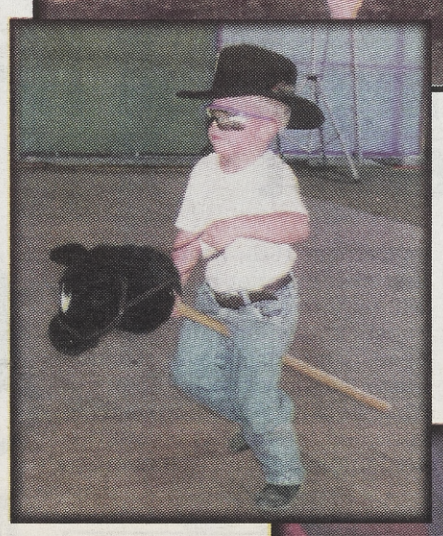
In **1984**, Texas hosted their first rodeo. It saw the ninth, and final, National Reno Gay Rodeo. That same year saw the beginning of The Golden State Gay Rodeo Association and the Arizona Gay Rodeo Association.

In **1985**, the rodeo was in the Los Angeles Equestrian Center. Oklahoma Gay Rodeo Association was added as the states joined together in Denver to form the International Gay Rodeo Association. Wayne Jakino was elected its Founding President.

In **1986**, it was in Phoenix. Kansas, Missouri, and New Mexico joined. The first IGRA finals were awarded to California and hosted by the San Francisco Bay Area Chapter in Hayward.

By **1990**, growth had reached such proportions that it was necessary to spit





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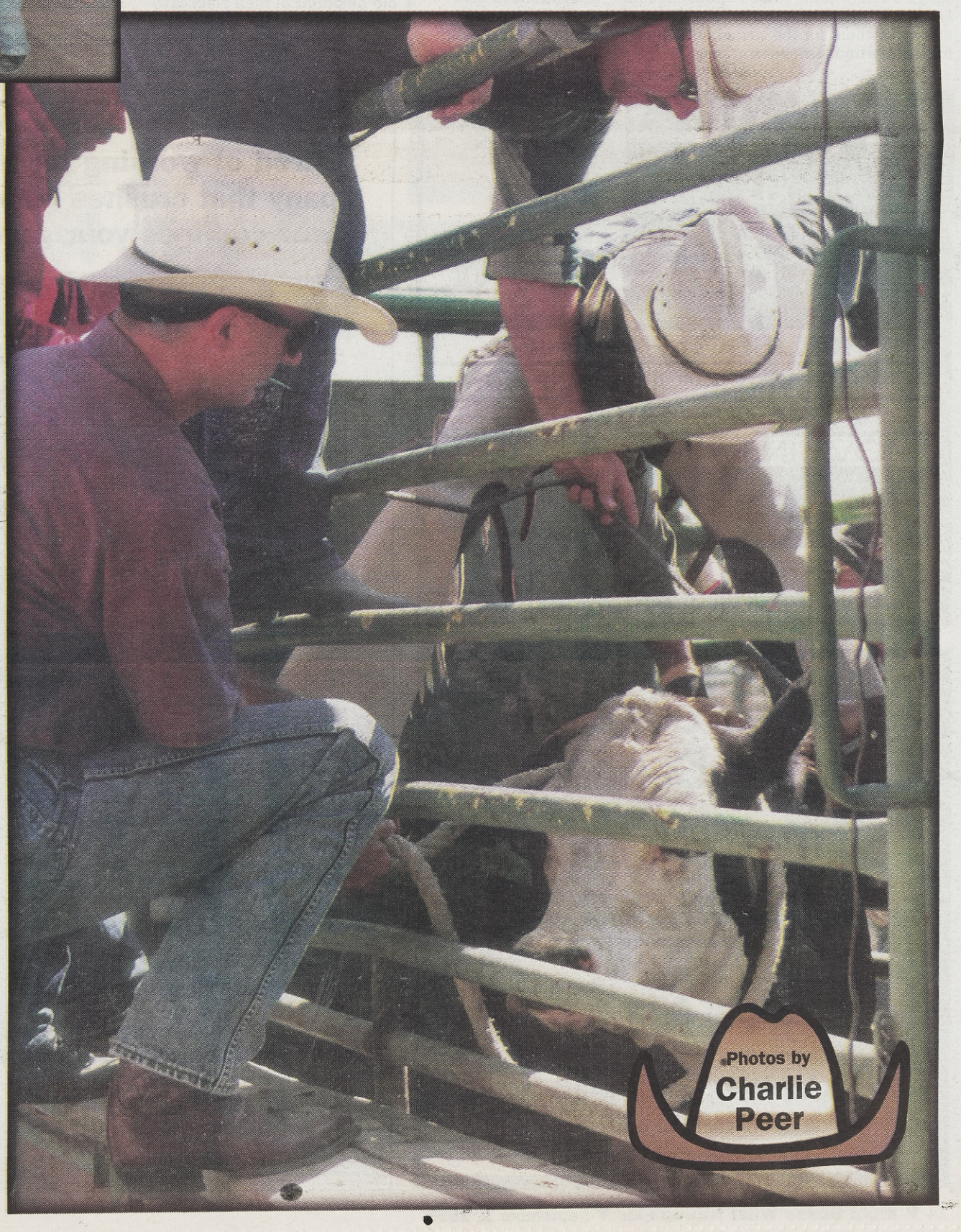
into 4 divisions. IGRA had grown to 18 clubs representing 25 states. There were 11 rodeos being produced, including IGRA finals. The number of contestants had grown so much that in **1991**, one-day "unit rodeos" were adopted so as to accommodate more contestants and include smaller member associations.

In **1992**, IGRA became truly "International" with the addition of British Columbia as a member of the Northwest Gay Rodeo Association Washington, Oregon, and Idaho. In **1993**, Alberta Gay Rodeo Association affiliated and two years later, in **1995**, became host to the Canadian Rockies Regional Rodeo. Capital Crossroads Roads Association was formed in April **1996** with seven members and in May became recognized as Capital Crossroads Chapter, the sixth chapter of the GSGRA. Now in **1999**, Sacramento area saw its first Gay Rodeo!! And now stampeding into year **2000**, everyone is encouraged to saddle up!!



# THE INTERNET CONNECTION...

## Log On And Vote On Gay Marriage

A survey is currently conducted by the Christian Science Monitor to see if people think that GLBT marriage should be allowed or forbidden. Maybe, we should help?!

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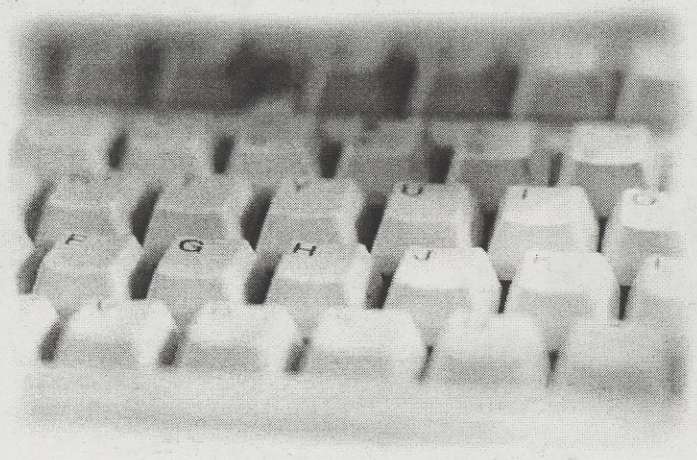

## Media Metrix's #1 Community Site

Launched in April as the largest GL online community, the Gay.com Network has ranked as the first among online community sites in three major web site performance categories (average usage days per visitor, average unique page views per visitor. and average minutes spent per usage month). Being a gay and lesbian site as it is, it even surpasses prominent online communities like Geocities, iVilliage, Talkcity, ThirdAge, or Women.com.

New advertisers are attracted to Gay.com's number of visitors and proven customer loyalty. This is also because of the fact that the visitors of Gay.com review more pages of the web site (thus increasing the chances of an ad to be seen by visitors), as implied by media Metrix. Gay and lesbian buyers are also proven to choose product and services that are advertised specifically to their community.

What could have been the secret ingredient to Gay.com's success? Co-founder of Gay.com Network, Mark Elderkin is not scared to share it with others: "Gay.com's site traffic leadership is based on the two most fundamental principles of web marketing: we attract the largest number of our target audience to our site, then we keep them there."

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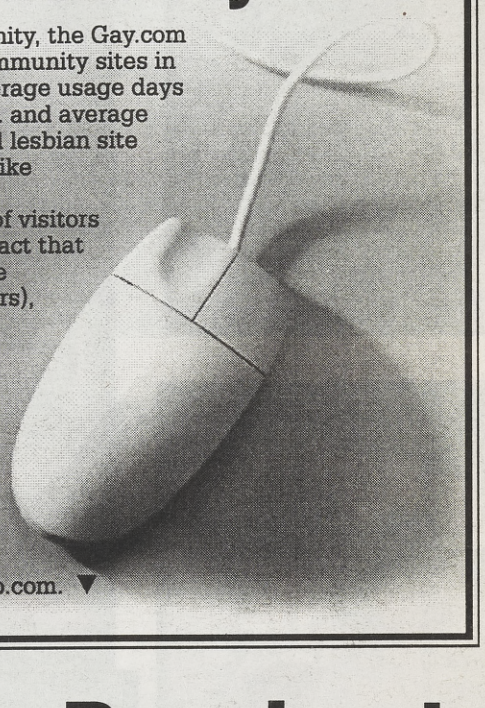

## On Sexual Offenders' Online List

Federal Judge Patrick Duggan ruled that the Michigan State Police is permitted to keep the list of convicted sexual offenders on the internet. With the information of their criminal records online, the judge felt that their constitutional rights are not violated because of the fact that the information is going to be in public records. The American Civil Liberties argued that the list could lead to harassment as well as embarrassment for the sexual offenders, especially to those who had committed lesser sex crimes. ▼

## Gay Wedding to be Broadcast on the Internet

Jeffrey Newman, 31-year-old president and chief operating officer of the Gay Financial Network, will be bonded in a gay marriage with a 31 year old designer of men's accessories, Jeffrey Parker over the internet (live from New York) on October 16th, 7pm. This first ever internet broadcast will feature a real life 200 guests and will be simultaneously broadcast over streaming video on www.Out.com (this website will be officially launched two weeks before the wedding). Wolfson, the marriage project director for Lambda Legal Defense & Education fund, thinks that this is a great idea since it will let "non-gay people see the real lives of gay people." ▼

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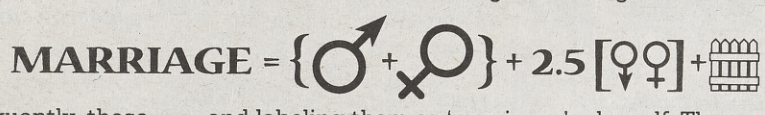
# FOCUS ON THE FAMILY...

## In Defining That Ever Important Word, "Marriage"

Recently, LA Times published an article on the actions that the gay community has taken to own their rights to be married. Lynn D. Wardle, the writer, wrote that gay communities are attacking the very foundation that they are trying to protect, which is the 1st Amendment. In Wardle's own words, she wrote that "Frequently, those who openly resist homosexuals' political proposals are attacked".




**This is true. To some extent, that is.** The GLBT community does seem a little selfish when they only want their voices to be heard. But this is not the case when such selfishness is used to gain protection from discrimination.

Still, it's Wardle's definition of marriage that is very... catchy and it certainly deserves a little more attention and discussion. And that is not in a good way either. To Wardle, marriage should be more than "physical attraction and private contact." She said that heterosexual marriages will produce children and the "optimal child-rearing" that will offer "adults the greatest developmental potential and stability and makes the most important contributions to social order". Besides, "Same sex unions are not marriages and labeling them as 'marriages' would be a fraud". She even dare moved the discussion into the topic of incest: if GLBT can be married to each other because of the mere attractions, what about siblings?

It seems that Wardle has been asking and answering the wrong questions. Maybe the right question is: If marriage is all about child bearing and the responsibility that comes with it (as if people who don't have children do not have responsibility), what about those couple who can't produce children? Should they be shunned from being "married" officially? And if a gay couple wants to adopt children, will this make them a "married" couple? Sadly, we know how a lot of anti-gay extremists will answer these questions... Possibly, they would start attacking the rights that gay couples have on adopting children while ignoring the logic of the definition of "marriage" that a Law Professor like Wardle has established for herself. They usually forget that people do fall in love naturally (to whom a person will fall with depends on the person's sexual orientation) and that love is sometimes merely about establishing the connection of two souls rather than an effort to produce more souls!

Then again, Wardle did prove her point in one particular area: Her comparison between Mark Leno's (the gay San Francisco Supervisor) attempt "to get the San Francisco city attorney and California's attorney general to investigate the Mormon Church" and "the 'enemy list' prepared by the Nixon White House during the Watergate years" is eerie yet realistic. She mentioned that "marriage" belongs to the church, and the church (though not all) has defined that marriage will only work between a man and a woman. To deny such "law" is "to exclude religious voices on moral political issues defy centuries of American respect in public life." Maybe what is needed to create same sex marriage is a new religion. And maybe, we can call that religion "equality for all". ▼

## Domestic Partnership Registration for Bexar County, Texas?

Travis County was the first in Texas that has established a registry of domestic partnership when they start doing so in 1993. Now, the county of Bexar is trying to do the same and their decision is currently being reviewed by the attorney general's office. The Chairman of the board of directors of the Gay and Lesbian Center of San Antonio, Michael McGowan, said that there is nothing that is not similar between the nature of relationship and commitment between a gay couple and a straight one. All that is needed is the establishment of legal justification that gay couples' relationships are "marriage-like". McGowan added, "Until marriage or domestic partnership is allowed for same-sex marriages, an element of dignity is denied too." ▼

## The Return of "In The Life"

America's gay and lesbian newsmagazine series, In The Life, is returning September 5th to KVIE national public television for its 8th historic year. Being hailed by the Los Angeles Times as "one of TV's most valuable resources", In The Life will be a bi-monthly series, and in each one-hour episode, a number of 6 newsmagazine formatted segments are presented. The 30 new stories range from a report on the Gay theater company, "About Face", to a look at Gay and Lesbian associations.

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# PETS

## The Life of A Cat

### Day 752-

My captors continue to taunt me with bizarre little dangling objects. They dine lavishly on fresh meat, while I am forced to eat dry cereal. The only thing that keeps me going is the hope of escape, and the mild satisfaction I get from ruining the occasional piece of furniture. Tomorrow, I may eat another houseplant.

### Day 761-

Today, my attempt to kill my captors by weaving around their feet while they were walking almost succeeded: must try at the top of the stairs. In an attempt to disgust and repulse these vile oppressors, I once again induced myself to vomit on their favorite chair... must try this on their bed.

### Day 762-

Slept all day so that I could annoy my captors with sleep depriving, incessant pleas for food at ungodly hours of the night.

### Day 765-

Decapitated a mouse and brought them the headless body in an attempt to make them aware of what I am capable of, and to try to strike fear into their hearts. They only cooed and condescended about what a good little cat I was... Hmmm. Not working according to plan.

### Day 768-

I am finally aware of how

sadistic they are. For no good reason, I was chosen for a water torture. This time, however, it included a burning foamy chemical called "shampoo". What sick minds could invent such a liquid. My only consolation is the piece of thumb still stuck between my teeth.

### Day 771-

There was some sort of gathering of their accomplices. I was placed in solitary throughout the event. However, I could hear the noise and smell the foul odor of the glass tubes they call "beer". More importantly, I overheard that my confinement was due to MY power of "allergies". Must learn what this is and how to use it to my advantage.

### Day 774-

I am convinced the other captives are flunkies and may be snitches. The dog routinely released and seems happier to return. He is obviously a half-wit. The Bird on the other hand has got to be an informant. He has mastered their frightful tongue (something akin to mole speak) and speaks with them regularly. I am certain he reports my every move. Due to his current placement in the metal room, his safety is assured. But I can wait, it is only a matter of time. ▼

## Gay Vulture Couple Raise Surrogate Chicks

A pair of homosexual Griffon Vultures at Jerusalem Zoo have lovingly reared two fledglings of their endangered species. The adult males, known as Dashik and Yehuda, built a nest last year and set up a home together. In the spirit of gay liberation, they openly and energetically mated, but, inevitably, failed to produce a single egg.

Then, as an experiment to boast the dangerously decreasing amount of vultures in Israel, Israeli zoologist Shmuel Yidov took a day old vulture chick that had been hatched from an incubator, inserted it carefully inside a swan's egg, and slipped it into the nest.

Fooled, the pair took turns to sit on it until it finally hatched.

Dashik and Yehuda then reared their baby. "They did a great job," said the zoo's spokeswoman, Sigalit Dvir. "They shaded him on hot days, they brought him water from the pond, they fed him, they stopped him falling from the nest." The adoption process will not last for so long though: the young chicks will be taken to a station on the Carmel mountains south of Haifa, where Israel's Nature Protection Society conditioned them and returned them to the wild. ▼

# FOCUS ON YOUTH...

## Anyone for... Lesbian Barbie?

Do you have a little girl who always feels left out, invalidated, or even confused? Don't you wish for something that can make her feel less unusual? There is no need to worry now since this Christmas, you can get that little tomboy in your family a gift that she will surely appreciate: Lesbian Barbie!

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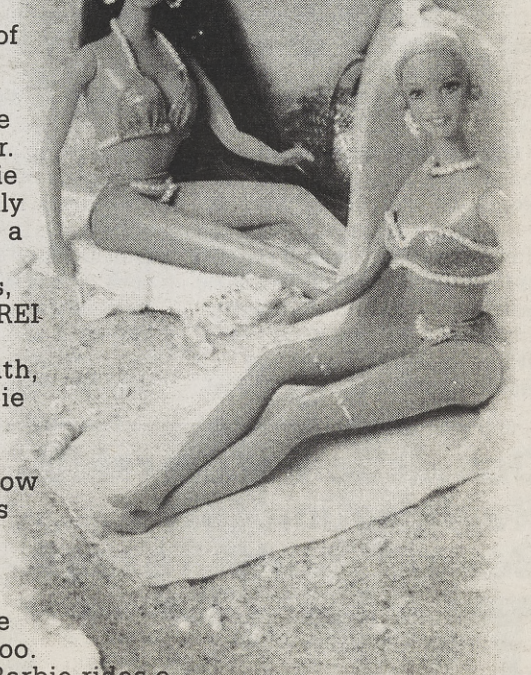

Underneath, Lesbian Barbie wears a tank top that will efficiently show off her efforts from weight training, as well as her lovely "I Love Womyn" tattoo.

Lesbian Barbie rides a Harley Davidson, and when she does, she can be dressed in her black leather biker coat and big black boots so that she can be a perfect date for Lipstick Lesbian Barbie. Lesbian Barbie will also come with a U-haul rental that is purposely packaged for her first date.

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## Back 4 Now, Charlie T...

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**–Charles Turner**

# Gay Bob & Jack...I'm Queer

*by Charles Turner*
*MGW/Staff*

**Mark Islam, The Recent Past, Noble Savage Records**

Well, if your going to be compared, guilt by a associative sound sort of speak, you could do a lot worse than be compared to **Bob Dylan** (the young **Bob** that is). That's what came to mind more than twice as the emotionally charged tracks laid down the modern fables, **Mark Islam** is a intimate storyteller that weaves a new country yarn in the pattern of the rainbow. **Islam's** debut album, The Recent Past is a intriguing saga of unfolding stories back dropped by the rhythm elements of country, soft (I hate that word soft in any context... butt, it fits) rock, folk, and pop preformed by some pretty good Southern California musicians: **Edward Tree** guitarist, **Skip Edwards** keyboards (on loan from **Dwight Yoakam's** band), **Mark Romano** accordion(who has toured as the **Indigo Girls'** accordion player), and the vocals of **Claudia Russell** and **Mare**(the girl not the

horse) **Lennon** have dropped Nashville on my west coast shores, making for some enjoyable songs. I've heard better and I've heard worse, that about says it all. The critics choice goes to a little piece titled "Get Used To It", a in your face kiss my ass cause I ain't going no where.... **Jack** (I'm here/I'm queer), quite anthem-attic. "Dirges In The Dark" is the runner up, a new country mid-tempo worthy of boot tappin'. Fact of the matter is the more I listened to The Recent Past the more some of the tracks appealed, I guess it sort of grew on me. In a nutshell, if your down with electric country, and down with throwing a little jack a gay mans way that's putting it on the line (musically), **Mark Islam's** Nashville sound is for you....this one does not suck, as far as country goes. ▼

# Still Got The Boogie

*by Charles Turner*
*MGW/Staff*

**KC & The Sunshine Band: 25th Anniversary, Rhino Records**

Has it been twenty-five years since we first got down with **KC & The Sunshine Band**? Yes it has, but who would-a-thunk that the two strapping young lads from south Florida (**Harry Wayne Casey** and **Rick Finch**) wood have such a lasting and impacting musical career on the industry. The resurgence of old school dance is everywhere and it shows no signs of losing momentum, this is especially true in the case of **KC& T.S.B.** who's samples can be heard everywhere. **KC's**' samples can be heard on commercials by **General Motors**, **Burger King, Amoco**, **Discover Card, Denny's, Pillsbury,** and **Budweiser,** so there's no escape. The one thing I can say is that the chemistry is as strong today as it was yester-year, back then I danced my ass off(that's why I don't have one now) to what ever was playing, and you knew that **KC & The Sunshine Band** was hitting the turntable (a couple of times) with whatever their latest hit was turning it out R&B dance style. **Well,** all those hits over the period of all those parties have been shrink wrapped into one handy-dandy little carrying container.

Rhino Records has released a career retrospec- tive titled **KC & The Sunshine Band**: 25th Anniversary with 30 of the bands biggest hits, which is now available at your favor-rite record store. The double CD set is chalked full of the instantly recognizable soundtracks chronicling the bands career. 25th Anniversary starts you on the journey with **KC& T.S.B's** #1 smash hit(the one that started it all) "Get Down Tonight" , which was to be followed by a endless string of dance hits, from "Please Don't Go" to "(Shake, Shake, Shake)Shake Your Booty" and every #1 hit in between. A brief track brake-down goes like this: "That's The Way(I Like It)", "Blow Your Whistle", "Sound Your Funky Horn", "Boogie Shoes", "I Like To Do It"(voted best title on CD), "I'm Your Boogie Man", "I Get Lifted", "Keep It Comin' Love", "Who Do Ya Love", "Do You Wanna Go Party", "Please Don't Go", "Yes, I'm Ready (**Teri DeSario** with **KC**)", "Give It Up"(voted 2nd best title), and "Get Down Tonight" just to name a dozen. This is your chance to get the best of their best, 25 years of dance jams that had tremendous success is back.... If you haven't heard it, it's new to you, so go get your dancing shoes and get busy. ▼

# Peace Of Mind...and I Like It!

*by Charles Turner*
*MGW/Staff*

**Stuart Hoffman, Silent Longing, EverSound Records**

Well, damn'it. I like this one too! **Stuart Hoffman's** Silent Longing is some of that kick your feet up at the end of the day and unwind to some new age. I'll bring the sunshine, you bring the afternoon breeze that smells of fresh cut grass and honeysuckle, we'll meet on the roof and gaze into the sky as the world goes by while **Hoffman** plays just for us. The volume is set on enjoy as the first track "Waiting", a rich prayerful African piece begins to dance in the clouds where it's chants roll like thunder above us. The passion that is felt by the listener is magnified as each progressive note of "River Of Kindness" floats on air like the richest aroma enveloping your musical senses. **Hoffman** has a flair for storytelling without saying a word, the title track "Silent Longing" is a spellbind-

ing arrangement that speaks volumes, just close your eyes and the story comes to you. The orchestration on the entire album is nothing less than stellar, you can feel the passion and the love of each instrument playing each note if you listen closely. Another emphasis track is "Joy To Joy", a liberating and uplifting composition that grabs life by the collar and dances across the sky. Let the simple seductive sounds of "Hand of Time" and "Gone" combine forces to caress and massage your mind. Silent Longing is a composition of 12 exhilarating tracks that play like a breath of fresh air. This is a must have for the collection.... I'm definitely kickin' myself in the ass for not bustin' the plastic earlier on this one. It slipped by me, don't let it slip by you...Silent Longing. ▼

# Trance-less

*by Charles Turner*
*MGW/Staff*

**EnTrance, Steven Cragg, New World Music**

Finally, one I hate. EnTrance is a well put together CD of techno/hip-flop/ house/ contemporary bush music with third world lyrics injected just enough to confuse. The bio stated dude (Cragg) lived in a cave (no shit.... a cave), in his search for the other level, how euro.

I guess the CD showed some promise, I mean it's not crap, it's just a little to far out there, when I started to get into it, it would take a hard right into the wall like a redneck that just hit oil in turn 3 at **Taladaga**(where the wheels on the bus go roun'-n-roun' and Richard Petty is king). EnTrance is **The 5th Element** meets **Hare' Krisna**.... need I say more. Yes, actually, dudes got talent but he's just trying to reach an American market that's closed. ▼


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# Good Grief, It's My Turn

*by Linda Tell, RN, MFT*
*MGW/Staff*

I opened my eyes and looked at the clock. It was 5:30 am. I wasn't ready to awaken, so I rolled over and closed my eyes again, hoping sleep would come. It did…until one hour and ten minutes later, when I was abruptly shocked into consciousness by the ringing telephone.

My younger sister's voice, anxious, yet trying to be calm. She's on the cell phone and it's a bad connection. I understand her to say she'll call me right back. I hang up and turn to my partner. "It's Anita, something's wrong!" The telephone rings again and I immediately push the talk button. "What is it?", I ask her. "It's Daddy. He's had a heart attack and they are taking him to the hospital right now. I'm on my way there."

It was the telephone call I have been waiting for since I moved out of my parent's home at age 19. It was the news I resisted and feared since I was 14 when he had his first heart attack. I was too young then to let him go. I couldn't imagine living my life without my father. February 3, 1999 I knew exactly what was coming and I was more ready than I expected.

Death is part of life's experience. None of us are immune to death or the emotional pain that surrounds it. I find many people unwilling to discuss this common occurrence and how they get through the grief.

We aren't taught about grief directly. It is only through our life experience that many people learn about it. Some of us lost loved ones early in life…but may not have been included in grief rituals because we were too young. As children we may be excluded or given messages that are misconceptions and carry over into adulthood. Oftentimes, children come to believe that they have done something wrong to make the deceased leave, or that we should grieve alone.

Grief is a normal response to losing someone or something in our lives. By its very presence, we know that the loss was significant to us. Our challenge is to live on and work through the pain. Grief work is difficult, yet most effectively done when we share it with others. When we isolate, deny our feelings, or refuse to talk about what happened, we risk endangering our own health.

The beliefs we have about death can be healthy or unhealthy. Generally, we are not aware of our belief system until we are confronted with illness or the death of a loved one, because the beliefs reside outside our unconscious awareness. We can bring them into conscious awareness by talking about death and dying with others.

When my father had his first heart attack I was 14 years old. I prayed he would live. I grew up to become a nurse and specialized in critical care. I relied upon that experience now. I called Florida information for the hospital's telephone number. I dialed the number and asked for the Emergency Room. I asked to speak with the physician on call. He came to the phone. I immediately identified myself, told him I was Mr. Tell's daughter, and I was a nurse, hoping that would indicate I was capable of hearing the truth over the telephone. "Did he make it?" I asked. I already knew the answer. The doctor's voice was very sensitive and soothing. He gave me a brief report and "We did all we could…." I thanked him for his efforts and said goodbye.

As a critical care nurse I had lots of opportunity to witness death and watch how other people coped with painful loss. Little did I realize I was learning to prepare myself as well, for the more personal losses I would experience in life. At the time, I was more aware of how I wanted to live my life in the present moment. I didn't want to put anything off. I wanted to have as much fun as possible. I certainly didn't want to wait until retirement to live with enjoyment.

Over the years, I began to

**See "Grief" page 20**

# The Prince of Peace Congregation Lives up to Its Name

On March of 1996 in Schaumburg, Illinois, a member of the Prince of Peace Lutheran Church congregation started a discussion on whether they should or should not welcome gays and lesbians as members of the congregation. The discussion brought fear into the congregation as visions of a divergence between the members emerged.

They did acknowledge that the issue was important, so they continued on for another 10 months. In February 1997 the congregation adopted to include gays and lesbians.

The congregation's new anti-discrimination policy also included – all races, ages, physical, mental and emotional status.

During their discussion the following topics were included:

- Made available educational material to be shared by congregation members regarding gays and lesbians,
- Including seminars that discuss homosexuality clearly and without bigotry,
- Encouraged open discussions between members where both side of the argument can be heard,
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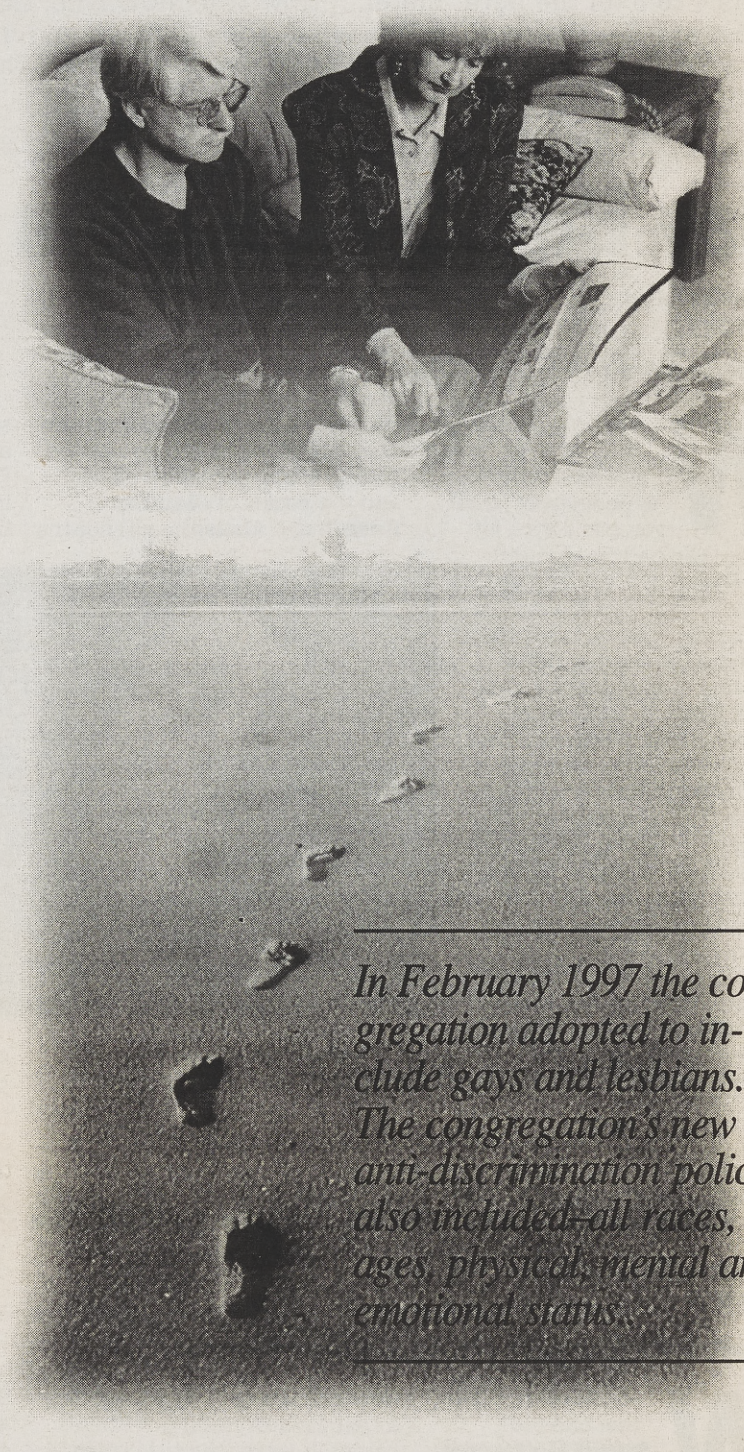

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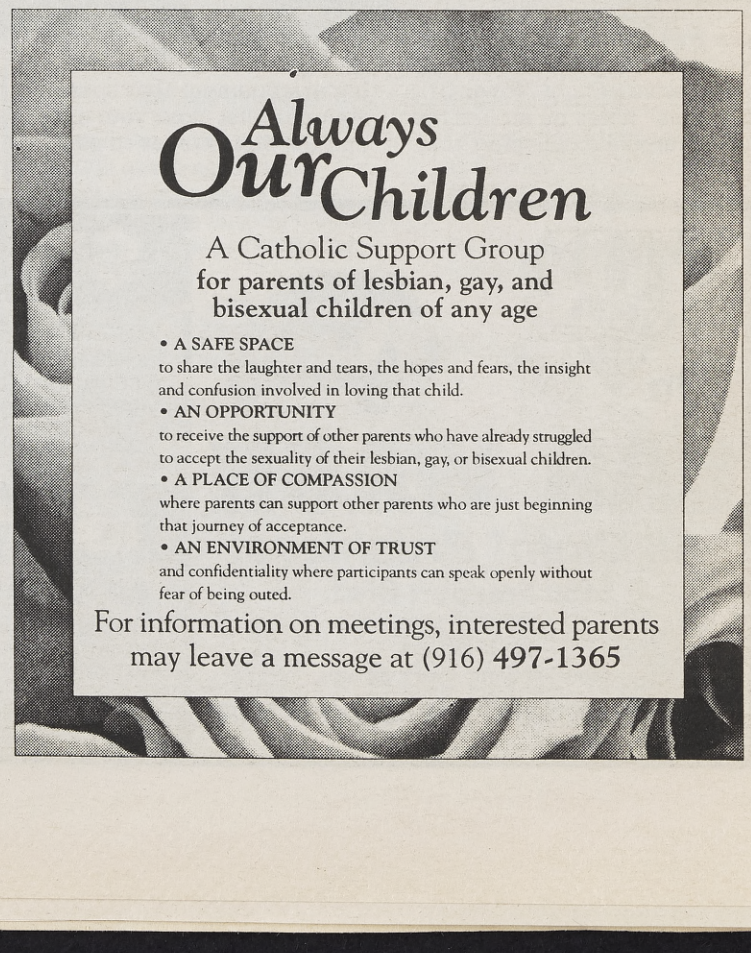
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# On the HIV front...

*By Sonya Cox*
*AIDS/HIV Editor*

## Old AIDS case challenges chimpanzee theory...

Discovery of old records about tissue taken from a teenage male prostitute who died three decades ago in a St. Louis hospital challenges the theory that HIV jumped the species barrier from chimpanzees to humans, and suggests that HIV mutated slower than previously thought, says a professor of microbiology and immunology at Tulane University, who presented his findings at the recent International Conference of Virology. The boy was hospitalized in 1968 with mysterious symptoms that were later diagnosed as Kaposi's sarcoma (KS). Tests of tissue samples that were taken from the boy and frozen now show him to have had the earliest identified case of HIV infection in the United States.

## Red Ribbon retreat...

The third annual retreat for people living with HIV or AIDS and caregivers will be held Oct 8-10 at Camp Lodestar in Wilseyville. Relaxed schedule, meals served 3 times a day, walks, separate and combined discussion groups in an environment that is spiritually rewarding but not formally religious. $100 for the weekend, sponsored by St. Mark's Methodist Church of Stockton. Call 209/474-3323 or e-mail MayorJim@aol.com for info. Registration deadline is Sept 20.

## Russian roulette barebacking continues...

More than 50 percent of the participants in recent surveys by the University of San Francisco say they'd had anal intercourse without condoms within the previous six months, and nationwide, information gathered by the Centers for Disease Control indicates that over 68 percent of men having unprotected sex did not know the HIV status of their partners. Many of the men engaging in unprotected sex indicated they relied on assumptions (such as healthy appearance, etc.) to silently guess their sexual partners' HIV status, rather than speak to them directly and openly about HIV. Some San Francisco AIDS educators say that future HIV prevention efforts might better be redirected toward acknowledging some men's decisions not to use condoms, providing a level of support that respects the complexities that gay men face in their lives and sexual decision making, and concentrating on the issues surrounding the knowledge, or lack thereof, of a partner's HIV status.

## Man arrested for AIDS "cure" fraud...

The president of a Las Vegas company has been arrested on charges of fraud stemming from claims that the company had developed a cure for AIDS. The false information was distributed via a number of press releases and false clinical trials documents, and was aimed at stockholders. It claimed that the "cure," called Plasma Plus, was able to completely rid the body of HIV. The claims pushed the company's stock prices up eightfold. The man, a convicted murderer, has now also been charged with securities fraud and faces 10 years in prison and a $1 million fine.

## Gates adds $6 billion to vaccine effort...

A new $6 billion donation from Microsoft Chairman Bill Gates is expected to be directed toward a vaccine initiative to fight diseases including malaria, childhood illnesses, tuberculosis, and HIV. The William H. Gates Foundation and the Gates Learning Foundation have been consolidated and will now be known as the Bill and Melinda Gates Foundation. Global health experts say that Gates' foundation has reinvigorated efforts nationwide to develop and distribute vaccines. The Foundation's major global grants include $50 million to the Malaria Vaccine Initiative, $100 million to the Children's Vaccine Program, $50 million for Motherhood Mortality Reduction, and $25 million for the International AIDS Vaccine Initiative. Thanks, Bill!

## D.C. won't list people with HIV by name...

District of Columbia Mayor Anthony Williams recently announced that the city has decided to use a unique identifier system to report HIV infections rather than names. AIDS is the leading cause of death among District residents between the ages of 25 and 44. While the Centers for Disease Control supports names reporting of HIV infection, Williams explained that he chose the unique identifier system "to assure confidentiality and not discourage anyone from seeking testing." California also uses the more confidential coding system to report HIV names.

## Hate crime charges dropped...

The charges against the four youths implicated in the beating death of a female South African AIDS activist have been dropped. The woman was beaten to death by the four after she disclosed that she was HIV-positive on radio and television. Those infected with HIV or AIDS usually keep their illness unknown because they are often ostracized by society, but the woman wanted to speak out to encourage a more enlightened attitude. AIDS activists say that the ruling sends the wrong message, but are powerless to change the situation.

## Closing in on an HIV vaccine?...

Merck Pharmaceuticals is planning to launch human trials of another AIDS vaccine by the end of this year. The new vaccine uses direct injection of HIV DNA. Experts say the current vaccine candidate will likely have to be modified during testing. Delivery of HIV genes to human cells forms the basis of most new AIDS vaccines. The theory is that the genes will trigger proteins found in HIV. The host's T-cells will then see the invading cells, fight them, and store them in memory for a potential future invasion. Ultimately, investigators will be pleased if they can find a way to suppress the virus enough to make it spread slower.

## Boston police detectives take 'AIDS cocktail' after needle sticks...

Two Boston narcotic detectives will take the "AIDS cocktail" for 28 days, a mixture of anti-AIDS drugs that can help to prevent the spread of HIV, after two separate needle-stick incidents recently. After completion of the medication regimen -- used in different combinations thus far for accidental needle sticks to medical personnel -- the detectives must wait approximately six months before learning their HIV status, due to the incubation period of HIV.

## Canadian police, doctors propose mandatory blood tests...

An emergency room doctor in British Columbia has proposed a bill that would give Canadian emergency workers the right to demand HIV tests from people who may have put them at risk for blood-borne diseases. The bill would give police officers and hospital staff the legal right to take blood samples from people when exposed to their bodily fluids on the job. Civil rights and gay rights groups say the bill is contrary to the Charter of Rights and Freedoms, as well as privacy laws. Currently, Canadian police officers may obtain a search warrant for the medical records of people who refuse to provide a blood sample. Experts say the chance of contracting HIV from a contaminated needle is about 3 in 1,000.

*Note:* Remember to not jam your hands or fingers into spaces you cannot see that could contain discarded needles — don't push down the towels in public trash receptacles, don't stick your fingers into a public telephone looking for change, take a glance at your seat in the theater before plopping down into it, etc. Protect yourself with a little forethought.

## CMV retinitis rates drop with PI use...

Highly active antiretroviral therapy (HAART -- the taking of 3 or more medications, one of which is a protease inhibitor) has reduced the overall number of cases of HIV-related cytomegalovirus (CMV), say Paris researchers studying the rate of CMV between 1995 and 1997. They found that newly diagnosed CMV dropped from 6 percent in 1995 to 1 percent in 1997. In addition, they found that the number of T-cells in those with CMV retinitis was higher than average numbers from earlier years, and the rate of relapse was lower in 1997.

Only 2 percent of 172 individuals in a Spanish CMV study remained CMV-positive after three months of protease inhibitor treatment, say researchers in a Spanish CMV-AIDS Study Group investigating the effects of PIs on CMV. The study authors say the findings could suggest new methods of treatment for people with CMV. ▼


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## Grief

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feel so sad and depressed confronting death on a daily basis. I had classic "burnout". I entered into therapy and learned some new things by talking with my therapist that helped me to feel better.

I reevaluated my belief system and reframed some of those beliefs. I decided some new things, too.

- *Whatever comes my way, I have an opportunity to be challenged to grow and develop.
- *To appreciate the present moment.
- *To share my love and let my friends and family know how much I love them.
- *To not waste time or energy complaining about things that don't really matter. There are more.

I am standing at my father's gravesite. The rabbi, who does not know my family, delivers a reasonably good service. I muster every bit of courage to walk to the podium. My family and parent's friends are gathered.

Considering how big my father was to me, it's a small group. Our numbers have dwindled; he is not the first family member to die. I take deep breaths and I read the short message I wrote last night, honoring the man who brought me into the world and influenced me in so many ways. When my voice tightens, and my tears fall, I look into the faces of those people who were also touched by his spirit. They are tearful too. I know they understand how special he was. I am grateful for the 51 years we shared and I know it is time to let him go. I am sad, but ready.

It is the end of August now. I've helped my mother and sister make some accommodations in their living situation. I have returned to my daily routine, but the grief is still here. I am using guided imagery to deepen my understanding. I am living all that I have learned. As I write this article and share it with you, I am healing. I allow myself to cry. I talk about it with others. There is a lot of pain in the world...I learn I am not alone. I am committed to staying in connection with people even when I hurt, and seeing what more there is for me to learn.

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## Hollywood

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has no meaning here. Another new ABC entry called Oh, Grow Up also promises a Gay character. The show has been described as a sitcom about three buddies living together in Brooklyn. Wow, Now that's a stretch of creativity. ▼▼▼ **Bill Campbell** (More Tales of the City) stars with **Sela Ward** (Sisters) in the new ABC sereis Once Again. The project comes from the creative force behind thirtysomething Ed Zwick and Marshall Herskovitz.

Don't worry when you see hunky **Eddie Cibrian** (Living Out Loud) on the new NBC drama **Third Watch**. The actor will continue his role on the daytime soap Sunset Beach. The former comes from ER creator **John Wells** and focuses on NY paramedics, police and firefighters who work the late shift. The cast also features **Michael Beach** (ER), **Jason Wiles** (Beverly Hills 90210) and **Skipp Sudduth** (OZ.) ▼▼▼ **Gina Gershon** (Bound) steps into the role of private detective in the new **David E. Kelly** (Ally McBeal) comedy drama, **Snoops**. Gershon's co-star and partner is **Paula Marshall** (Cupid). ▼▼▼ A Pilot for UPN which didn't make the Fall schedule, called **Rags**, focused on the life of a Gay fashion designer and was Executive Produced by **Randall Wallace** (Braveheart). ▼▼▼

It's a little bit country and a little bit rock'n'roll when Donny and Marie host the 79th annual Miss America Pageant on ABC Sept. 18th, live from Atlantic City. ▼▼▼ The 16th Annual MTV Video Music Awards take place at the Universal Amphitheatre on September 9th. ▼

## Author

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never expected to find myself disabled and then suddenly alone and penniless after many years in a stable relationship.

Disability is hard on both partners and sometimes people break down under the pressure—I know I have and my partner obviously also did, since the dependency had come to overwhelm her. However, despite my long-time aversion to marriage, I realize that if we had a legal marriage of 12 and a half years—or even a recognized common-law marriage as we would have had in our state if we were cohabiting heterosexual partners, I would not be in this financial state; she would be obligated to pay me the money she owes toward our mutual bills and our mortgage instead of being able to just walk away with vague promises of payment in some nebulous future.

I wish I didn't have to go to the community with my very private personal pain and hardship to ask for help. It has been far easier for me over the years to give help to others rather than request it for myself, and for nearly thirty years that is the kind of activist I have been. But I have no choice. I have considered suicide frequently in recent weeks because I cannot see a way out of this situation. It is my hope that members of my community will reach out to help me through this very difficult time."

Please inform others on this issue! Info: Victoria Brownworth, c/o Hazel McPhee, 311 W. Seymour St., Philadelphia, PA 19144. ▼

## Theatre

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collect funding for the production is through donation from non-profit groups (this is nice since no strings will be attached).

Now that you know the basic understanding of how the financial organization of the production works, let's talk about risk-taking. Mordecai suggested a simple scenario of handling your productions: Let's say that you have $500, 000 to spare. Use that amount to cover up the finances for 3-4 productions and see how much you can take back from each production. A 25% profit and up over the amount of the investment can be considered as "reasonable". This is quite a safe, but slow method. Another way of reducing risk is to know who your investment buddies are: The more you know them, the higher the chances are for you to get funded.

Don't forget that you also need a producer to make your theatrical production a success: Place yourself in their faith, and research their background so that you can gain information about their passion and strength. Where do you find a good producer you ask? There is a publication out there called "Theatrical Index", and if that doesn't help, personal connection will be a definite way to find them. When you found them, don't hesitate to make a call: They usually return your call back since these type of risk takers usually have their sights set on the benefits that they will rake in soon if everything goes well. ▼

## Trick

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next-door type; and Mark to be quite even-headed and nice for such a stud experienced with tricks.

Along the way, Gabriel's singer-friend Perry (Steve Hayes) belts out a hilarious, double-entendre-ridden salsa number at a piano bar. In a dance club that the boys later visit, trash-talking drag queen Miss Coco Peru (Clinton Leupp) appears as the personification of "if looks could kill."

These characters and situations are harmlessly entertaining. They seem believable only in the Big Apple, where perhaps anything is possible—especially in the wee hours of the morning. It's a shame, then, that Tori Spelling is so annoying. She's the only phony character for miles around, except for her actor friends who equal her in portraying self-absorbed thespians so laughably.

TRICK is nothing more than a romance between two unlikely-to-meet-each-other guys in New York. Director Fall admits as much. There's no gay bashing to witness (as in "Relax... It's Just Sex"), no forays into alternative queer lives (as in "Better Than Chocolate"), and no wry comparisons between ethnic and queer cultures (as in "Kiss Me Guido").

Even a negative remark that Gabriel makes offhandedly about Puerto Ricans goes unchallenged—despite Mark's possible Puerto Rican background. It's as if TRICK tries too hard not to be confrontational.

Unfortunately, gay films are becoming increasingly sophisticated--and audiences are becoming used to seeing gay lives portrayed on the screen. This means it's more challenging than ever to make a boy-meets-boy film that seems fresh, worthwhile, and believable. It helps to put a new spin on the familiar story, intertwining some sort of commentary about the gay experience from a larger perspective.

However, don't expect that from TRICK. Fall believes simply that if his funny, though pedestrian, movie reaches a wider audience than just gays and lesbians, "then that is kind of political. It's kind of great."

It's an interesting take on political activism: educate, entertain, but don't offend. It just may work: finally, a date movie for straights *and* gays. Such a strategy may fly in places where local theaters don't sponsor a gay film festival, but next time Fall should strive to tell a story we don't already know.

TRICK plays at the Tower Theater. Check out the official movie Web site at www.trickmovie.com for production information, character bios, the trailer, and even a sweepstakes offer (a trip for two to Mykonos, Greece). ▼


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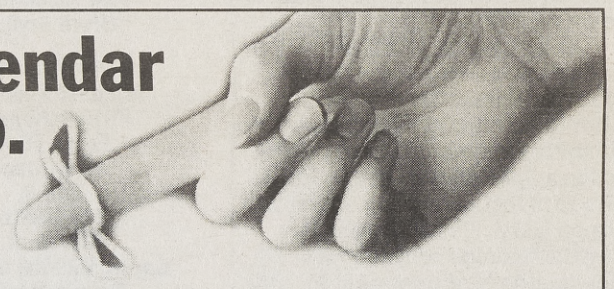

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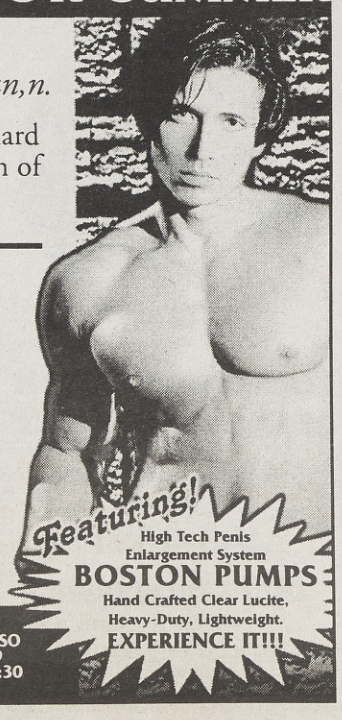

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**Animal Housecall**, Dr. Nancy Weagly, 456-0967

**Capital Aquarium**, 29th & T St., 452-5556

**Fur People Pet Sitting**, 457-1655

**Home & Critter Sitter**, 3104 O St., 447-0735

**Kennel Room Small Dog & Cat Grooming**, 3104 Fulton Ave., 482-4542

**Natomas Animal Medical Hospital**, 615 Northfield Drive, 925-6138

**Pocket Animal Medical Hospital**, 7465 Rush River Drive, 395-7387

**Sunset Pet Hospital**, 7751 Sunset Ave., 967-7768

**Waggin Tails K9 Waste Removal**, 987-8587

## PHOTOGRAPHY

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## PSYCHIC READINGS

**Looking Beyond**, 1-888-700-9342, 1-877—745-4155, 1-900-454-4255

## REAL ESTATE

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**Kelley Realty**, 6373 Riverside Blvd., Suite 124, 393-1111

**Randy Hartley**, 730 Alhambra Blvd., Coldwell Banker, 447-6545

**Pfingst Realty**, 9978 Folsom Blvd., 362-1166

## REMODELING

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**Cherry Home Improvement**: Windows/Doors, 933-0506

## RESTAURANTS

**City Treasure**, 1730 L St., 447-7380

**Dos Coyotes Border Café**, 1735 Arden Way, 927-0377

**Ernesto's Mexican Food**, 1901 16th St., 441-5850

**The Greek Village Inn**, 65 University Ave., 922-6334

**Jack's Urban Eats**, 20th & Capital, 444-0307

**Joseph's Cafe & Bar**, 1454 Del Paso & Arden, 922-8899

**Paesano's**, 1802 Capital Ave., 447-8646

**Sacramento Brew Pub**, Town & Country Village, 485-4677.

## STEREO REPAIR

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## THEATERS

**Crest Theater**, 1013 K St., 44-CREST

**Tower Theater**, 2508 Land Park Dr., 443-6551

## THERAPISTS/PSYCHOLOGISTS

**Bruce Gunn**, MFCC#M19480, 418 Alhambra Blvd., 443-7171

**Gaye Marchini**, LCSW# 15812, 2277 Fair Oaks Blvd. Suite 150, 646-4143

**Deborah Otten**, MFCC# Mv023109, 820 24th St., 443-6253

**Carol Seidel**, LCSW# 8474, 455-1162

**Todd Van Laningham**, 11620 Fair Oaks Blvd., Suite 203, 7736-0828

**Sandra Warne**, MFCC#30585, 650 Howe Ave #730, 568-1025

**Ellie Zacks**, Ph.D., 6359 Auburn Blvd., 725-4713

**Linda Tell**, RN, MFT 25888, 1731 I St., 443-6761

## THRIFT STORE

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**Sutter Hospice/Roseville**, 2120 Harding Blvd, 783-5509

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**Uniglobe Expo Travel**, Uwe Thaysen, 2100 Arden Wy #220, 920-1701, 800-789-8785

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## VIDEO RENTALS

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# County of Sacramento

| Commission/Committee | Opens/Closes | Type of Member |
|---|---|---|
| Advisory Board on Alcohol & Drug Programs | Open Filing | 2 public or technical members |
| Antelope Community Planning Advisory Council | Open Filing | 2 residents of area *District 4* (nom by 4th Dist.Sup.) Area 4 |
| Agency 4 Aging-Advisory Council | | 1 seat |
| Assessment Appeals Board | Open Filing | 1 member seat 1 alt. member seat |
| Board Of Plumbing Examiners | Open Filing | 1 public member<br>1 non-union contractor |
| Building Board of Appeals | Open Filing | 1 architect<br>1 plumbing contractor<br>1 residential contractor<br>1 general public |
| Carmichael Recreation & Park District | Open Filing | 1 residents of District 3 |
| Children's Coalition | Open Filing | 1 youth member |
| Children's Coalition City/County Solid Waste | | 1 sports & recreational member |
| Advisory Cmte/LTF | 9/27/99 to 10/8/99 | 1 recycling bus rep<br>1 integrated waste mgt. ind rep<br>1 residential generators/gen pub |
| Cordova Community Planning Advisory Council | | 1 resident |
| Consumnes Area CPAC | Open Filing | 5 residents of District 5 |
| County Service Area #4C | Open Filing | 2 residents of area |
| Delta Citizens Municipal Advisory Council | Open Filing | 2 members of District 5 |
| Disability Advisory Committee | Open Filing | 3 seat |
| Elk Grove Community Planning Advisory Council | Open Filing | 3 residents of area |
| Fair Oaks Community Planning Advisory Council | Open Filing | 3 residents of area (noms by 2nd & 5th Dist. Supervisor) |
| Franklin/Laguna Area Community Planning Advisory Council | Open Filing | 5 residents of area (noms by 2nd & 5th Dist. Supervisor) |
| Maternal,Child &Adolescent Health Advisory Board | Open Filing | 1 consmr/adolescent/parent adolescent |
| Mission Oaks Recreation & Parks Dist | Open Filing | 1 residents of area |
| Natomas Community Planning | Open Filing | 4 residents of the area (noms and Advisory Council by the Dist 1 Supervisor) |
| North Highlands/ Foothill Farms CPAC | Open Filing | 5 residents of area(noms. by Sups. of Districts1,3&4) |
| Orangevale Community Planning Advisory Council | Open Filing | 2 residents of area (noms by Dis. 4 Supervisor) |
| Paratransit, Inc. | Open Filing | 1 public member |
| Physically Handicapped Appeals Board | Open Filing | 1 Construction seat |
| Rio Linda / Elverta Community Planning Advisory Council | Open Filing | 6 residents of area (noms by 1 1st Dist Supervisor) |
| Sacramento County Mental Health Board | Open Filing | 2 public interest member |
| Sacramento County Treasury Oversight Committee | Open Filing | 1 members (noms by District 5 Supervisor) |
| Sacramento Metropolitan Arts Commission | 6/21/99 to 7/2/99 | 2 seats |
| South Sac Area Community Planning Council | Open Filing | 4 residents of area |
| Vineyard Area Community Planning Advisory Council | Open Filing | 7 residents of area (noms by Dist 5 Supervisor) |

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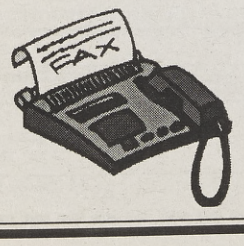


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Women employed in law/corrections and living in No. San Joaquin/ So. Sacto areas who are interested in forming an informal group for social activities, BBQs, movies, etc. (209) 774-1645. x9/15

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**POLICE CADET/OFFICER**
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**ROOM FOR RENT**
Room for rent, $225, utility included, 421-7323. x9/1

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**CAMERON PARK**
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**FOLSOM**
Unusual 2-story 4br 2 ba home with bonus room. Upstairs deck with spa. Rock fireplace. Home reduced $10,000. Needs TLC but terrific potential. Must see! $187,500, Aladdin Realty, 791-0715 x9/1

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**VIDEO DIRECTORY**
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Horizontal Halftone Camera. It is old (built by Clydesdale!), but works great!!! Comes with processor. Great for a graphic artist or school that offers printing classes. Free to non-profit organization or small donation would be nice. MGW, 441-6397 tfn

## PETS

Animal Place Rescue Vacaville, CA 707-449-4814 tfn

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## WANTED

**RECYCLE PEOPLE**
MGW is looking for someone to deliver papers to the recycle factory 1 mile from office. You load, you drive, you keep the money. Call Linda 441-6397. tfn

**SPEAKERS WANTED:**
Rainbow Bridge is a new non-profit coalition of gay, lesbian and straight people interested in reducing homophobia by community outreach and public speaking. They need speakers, fundraisers, telephone workers and clerical support staff. Info: Paula 658-0892. Speaker training available. tfn

**MAC/PCS WANTED**
Laptops, desktop computers, palm pilots needed to help MGW reporters and interns. 441-6397 tfn

**HANDY PEOPLE NEEDED**
Do you know any G/L masonry people, roofers, plumbers, electricians, carpet companies or painters? We want to keep the money in the community. MGW Referral Service. 441-6397 tfn

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### Newspaper Delivery Drivers
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College Internships available at MGW Newspaper in graphics, reporting, photography, computers, ad sales, public relations, financial and artist. Units given in 195/199 or 295/299.

### Cat/Dog/Pet Editor
Our Pet Editor, Joan Guertin has moved to Minnesota, so we are looking for someone that loves animals and can write about all types of Pets and Pet Care.

### Like To Organize Files?
MGW needs someone to get our files and archives in better order. See 21 years of history!!

### Book Reviewers
MGW receives books from publishers on all subjects: gay/lesbian/bi/transgender, cookbooks, mysteries, romance, gardening, computers, health, HIV, poetry, sports, legal, pets, financial, etc.,etc.,so if you can write, have good English skills, and have opinions call MGW! Your freelance salary would be the price ($$.95-$102.95) of the book because you can keep the book?

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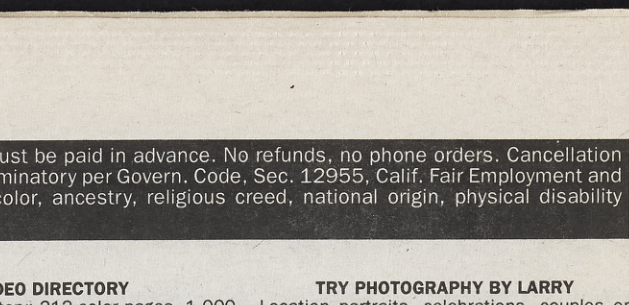
# Calendar Info.



Date _____ Day of Week _____

Event Title _____

Sponsor _____

Where _____ Time (7-9 pm, etc.) _____

Phone _____

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**1**

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Address _____

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**• Business Directory Listings are $15 per issue. No discounts will apply. Listing may include only: business name, address and phone number.**

**DEADLINES:**

- **1st Issue of the month: – 7 calendar days before.**
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**4 Check Classified Category:**

- ❑ Announcements
- ❑ Employment
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- ❑ For Sale
- ❑ Freebies
- ❑ Lesbians Seeking Lesbians
- ❑ Men Seeking Men
- ❑ Miscellaneous
- ❑ Roommates
- ❑ Services ($20 each)
- ❑ Wanted
- ❑ Other (write in please...) _____

**5 Business Directory:**

Category: _____ Address: _____

Name: _____ Phone: _____

**6 Please print ad here:** **10 word minimum for Classified ads.**

Free Headline (2-3 words): _____

# CALENDAR

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# SEPTEMBER

## 1st Wednesday

**GOLD FEVER**, Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**HISTORY LIVE AT SUTTER'S FORT**, thru September 6, 324-7405

**CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR**, thru September 6, Cal Expo, 263-FAIR

**SOCIAL SECURITY**, Garbeau's Dinner Theatre, thru October 3, 985-6361

**DOG HOUSE: ARCHITECTURE UNLEASHED**, Oakland Museum, thru October 17; 10th & Oak Sts, 888-OAK-MUSE

**BEAVER WALKS**, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 967-0777 (Jack)

**WEDNESDAY EVENING READING GROUP**, The Open Book, 7pm; 910 21st St, 498-1004

## 2nd Thursday

**HISTORICAL AUDIO TOUR,** Old Sacramento, 11am; Delta King Landing, Stop #1, Font & K Streets, 442-7644

**STRAWBERRY FALL MUSIC FESTIVAL**, thru September 6, 209-533-0191

**JOHN MICHAEL MONTGOMERY**, 7pm; Cal Expo Amphitheater, CA State Fair, 263-FAIR

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**CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR**, thru September 6, Cal Expo, 263-FAIR (3247)

**ECLECETIC TRASH BOOK CLUB**, The Open Book, 7pm; 910 21st St, 498-1004

**WNBA CHAMPIONSHIP GAME I**, 5pm, Lifetime

## 3rd Friday

**4TH ANNUAL CLUB SKIRT'S WOMEN'S WEEKEND,** Club Skirt's, thru September 5th; Hyatt Regency, Monterey, 1-888-5-SKIRTS

**FREE CONCERT IN THE PARK**, with Chrome Addicts, Arbess Williams, 5pm; Cesar Chavez Park

**THE AMOROUS AMBASSADOR**, thru September 25; Woodland Opera House, (530)666-9617

**GALLAGHER**, 7pm; Cal Expo Amphitheater, CA State Fair, 263-FAIR

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**"The Babymakers" by John Tarahteeff, Solomon Dubnick Gallery opens September 2nd.**

**HUGHIE and THE ZOO STORY**, The Actor's Workshop, thru September 19, 8pm; Actor's Theater, 1616 Del Paso Blvd, 925-6579

**CRIMES OF THE HEART**, Gularte Productions, 8pm; Thistle New Desert Theatre, 1901 P St., 444-8209

**THEATER ORGAN CONCERTS: JIM BROWN**, Towe Auto Museum, 2pm; 2200 Font St., 442-6802

## 4th Saturday

**DIANE PATTERSON**, 9am-12pm, Davis Farmers Market, C street between 2nd & 3rd

**CHALK IT UP**, Benefits for local children Art projects with Diane Patterson performing at 5pm, 16th and P street Fremont Park

**HOT DIGGITTY DOG COOK-OUT**, bring side dish and dessert to share, 4510 Lemon Hill Ave, 99 South, Exit 47th Ave, east, Left at 44th St., Right at Lemon Hill, Avery Nicole: 393-2278, fuel4all@juno.com or fuel@2xtreme.com

**MEGA MIXX '99** – WOMEN'S PARTY, BACW, The Marriot Convention Center, 1001 Broadway, Oakland, 415-495-5393

**SF SHAKESPEARE FESTIVAL**, thru October 3; Golden Gate Park, 415-422-2222

**ABSOLUT A LA CARTE, A LA PARK,** thru September 6; Golden Gate Park, 510-762-BASS

**BLUES & ART**, thru September 6, 415-249-4625

**SAUSALITO ART FESTIVAL**, thru September 6, 415-332-3555

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**PUPPET SHOW "DANGEROUS SPECIES",** Icky Lake, 1:30 pm; Effie Yeaw Nature Center, Ancil Hofman Park, 6700 Tarshes Dr., Carmichael, 489-4918 etx. 228

**OLD SACRAMENTO HERITAGE DAYS**, thru September 6; 442-7644

**CRIMES OF THE HEART**, Gularte Productions, 8pm; Thistle New Desert Theatre, 1901 P St., 444-8209

**WNBA CHAMPIONSHIP GAME 2**, NBC, 12:30pm

**MID-PACIFIC REGIONAL PFLAG GATHERING**, 8:30am-4:30pm; Oakland, 922-3339

## 5th Sunday

**COMING OUT/COMING IN: A TECHNO RITUAL,** 12pm-3pm, Nile Hall, 668-113th St, in Preservation Park, Oakland, Info: 415-281-9377, info@qpirit.org or www.qspirit

**SACRAMENTO RAINBOW FESTIVAL,** 20th & K Street

**LABOR DAY ROCK & ROLL, FEAT. UNCLE LEO BAND;** Edgewater Resort, 6420 Soda Bay Rd, Kelseyville, 1-800-396-6224

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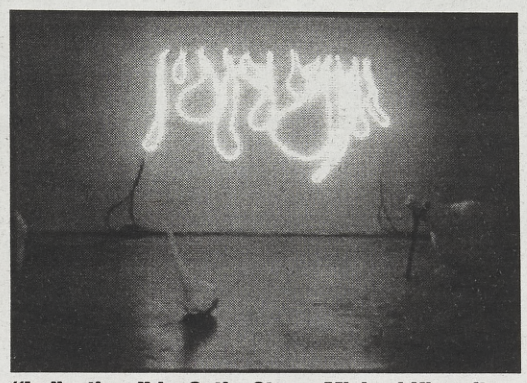

**"Indications" by Cathy Stone, Michael Himovitz Gallery through October.**

**DOG TRAINING**, Pet Smart, 11am-4pm; Truxell & I-80, 928-0314

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**WHO WAS EFFIE YEAW?**, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 1:30pm; Ancil Hofman Park, 6700 Tarshes Dr., Carmichael, 489-4918 etx. 228

**TECHNO RITUAL & DANCE CELEBRATION: "COMING OUT – COMING IN"**, Q-Spirit, 12noon-3pm; Nile Hall, 668 13th St, Oakland, 415-281-9377

**WNBA CHAMPIONSHIP GAME 3**, NBA, 12:30pm

## 6th Monday

**STYX**, 7pm; Cal Expo Amphitheater, CA State Fair, 263-FAIR

**HISTORY LIVE AT SUTTER'S FORT**, 324-7405

**GOLD FEVER**, Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**CALIFORNIA STATE FAIR**, Cal Expo, 263-FAIR (3247)

**STRAWBERRY FALL MUSIC FESTIVAL**, 209-533-0191

## 7th Tuesday

**LET YOUR FINGERS DO THE TALKING**, Lioness Books, 7pm; 224 J St, 442-4657

**DANCE WORKSHOP, Pamela Trokansky,** registration required, thru October 30; 911 3rd St, Davis, 530-756-3949

**VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION,** Breaking Barriers, 6-8pm; 1722 J St, Suite 321, 447-2437

**GOLD FEVER**, Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**SAC AREA BISEXUAL NETWORK (SABN)**, The Open Book, 7:30pm; 910 21st St, 498-1004

**Works by Dwight Head on display and for sale at Faces starting September 1st.**

## 8th Wednesday

**GOLD FEVER**, Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**AUTHOR APPEARANCE: KARIN KALLMAKER, WATER-MARK**, The Open Book, 7pm; 910 21st St, 498-1004

## 9th Thursday

**SF FRINGE FESTIVAL**, Exit Theater and others; 415-931-1094

**THE GREATEST SHOW ON EARTH**, Ringling Bros., Barnum & Bailey, thru September 12; Arco Arena, 649-8497

**LAVENDER WRITERS GROUP**, Lavender Library, Archives, Cultural Exchange, 7pm; 272 B St, 492-0558

**1999 MERCY ALL-STAR WEEKEND**, Mercy Foundation, thru September 11; 851-2700

**GOLD FEVER**, Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**PAWS ANNUAL CONFERECE ON CAPTIVE WILDLIFE**, Performing Animal Welfare Society, thru September 10, 9am-5pm; Delta King, 971-9231

## 10th Friday

**TRINITY TRIBAL STOMP**, thru Sept 12 with Diane Patterson performing with Mind X on Saturday 2-3pm, Hayfork, Ca. Tickets: 530-623-2656

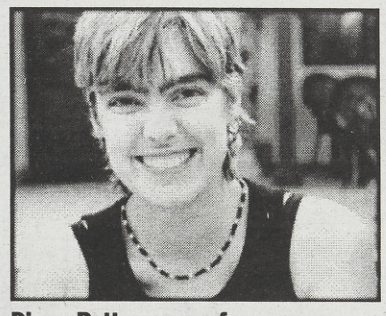
**FREE CONCERT IN THE PARK**, West Coast Rhythm Section, Free Association, 5pm; Cesar Chavez Park

**WESTERN BUS NUTS RALLY**, thru September 11; Edgewater Resort, 6420 Soda Bay Rd, Kelseyville, 1-800-396-6224

**MERCY ALLSTAR WEEKEND**, Mercy Foundation, Sponsor/Celebrity Golf Tournament, 8am, 851-2700; Gala Dinner, 5:30pm; Hyatt Regency, 851-2700; Sac Community Center Theater, 9pm, 264-5181

**GOLD FEVER**, Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**HUGHIE and THE ZOO STORY**, The Actor's Workshop, thru September 19, 8pm; Actor's Theater, 1616 Del Paso Blvd, 925-6579



**Diane Patterson performs throughout the area this month! See calendar.**

**CRIMES OF THE HEART**, Gularte Productions, 8pm; Thistle New Desert Theatre, 1901 P St., 444-8209

**PAWS ANNUAL CONFERECE ON CAPTIVE WILDLIFE**, Performing Animal Welfare Society, 9am-5pm; Delta King, 971-9231

## 11th Saturday

**MERCY HEALTHCARE'S "REUNION",** 10am, Carmichael Park, RSVP 537-5173

**LASHUN BEAL**, reception, 6-11pm; 1628 K Street

**3RD ANNUAL TOMATO FESTIVAL**, Kendall-Jackson Wine Center; Santa Rosa, 707-544-4000, ext. 319

**GENERAL MEETING, GSAC**, 927-1810

**VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION**, Breaking Barriers, 10am-noon; 1722 J St, Suite 321, 447-2437

**MERCY ALLSTAR WEEKEND,** Mercy Foundation, Celebrity Softball Game, Sac Softball Complex, Watt Ave. & I-80, 6pm, 851-2700

**GOLD FEVER**, Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**HUGHIE and THE ZOO STORY,** The Actor's Workshop, thru September 19, 8pm; Actor's Theater, 1616 Del Paso Blvd, 925-6579

**5TH ANNUAL NATIVE PLANT SALE & PLANT USE WALK**, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 9am-1pm; Ancil Hofman Park, 6700 Tarshes Dr., Carmichael, 489-4918 etx. 228 (Lora)

**CRIMES OF THE HEART**, Gularte Productions, 8pm; Thistle New Desert Theatre, 1901 P St., 444-8209

**SAFETY FAIR**, Carmichael Recreation & Park District, 10am-2pm; La Sierra Community Center, 5325 Engle Rd, Carmichael, 485-5322

**AUTHOR APPEARANCE: MERLE YOST, WHEN LOVE LASTS FOREVER**, The Open Book, 7pm; 910 21st St, 498-1004

**ARTIST RECEPTION: BRAD GRAY, MASKS**, The Open Book, 6-9pm; 910 21st St, 498-1004

**PAWS GALA**, Performing Animal Welfare Society, 5pm; paws Sanctuary, 11435 Simmerhorn Rd, Galt, 209-745-PAWS

**BENEFIT HOUSE CONCERT W/DUVAL SPECK**, Marilee Witt, 3pm; 7137 Lakewood Dr., Pollock Pines, 530-644-2107

## 12th Sunday

**SF HILLSTRIDE**, 415-795-2690

**CAPITOL AIDS WALK**, Sacto AIDS Foundation, 448-2437

**RIVER CITY BOWLERS, AMF**; Land Park Lanes, 635-1535

**DOG TRAINING**, Pet Smart, 11am-4pm; Truxell & I-80, 928-0314

**GOLD FEVER**, Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**HUGHIE and THE ZOO STORY**, The Actor's Workshop, thru September 19, 2pm; Actor's Theater, 1616 Del Paso Blvd, 925-6579

**BASIC BIRDING**, Effie Yeaw Nature Center, 1:30pm; Ancil Hofman Park, 6700 Tarshes Dr., Carmichael, 489-4918 etx. 228

**16TH ANNUAL FALL COLLECTORS' FAIR,** Old Sacramento, 7am-4pm; 443-6223 (Renee Manfredi)

**CRIMES OF THE HEART**, Gularte Productions, 2pm; Thistle New Desert Theatre, 1901 P St., 444-8209

**POETRY 101**, The Open Book, 4pm; 910 21st St, 498-1004

**MASTER GARDENER PLANT CLINIC**, 11am-2pm; Target Nursery, 5001 Madison Ave, 875-6913

## 13th Monday

**SCIENCE FICTION BOOK CLUB**, The Open Book, 6pm; 910 21st St, 498-1004

## 14th Tuesday

**WOMEN'S READING GROUP**, 7pm, Lioness Books, 2224 J St.,442-4657 (Maryanne), 921-9852 (Karen)

**KEEPING OUR COOL: DISCUSSING AIDS WITH LOVED ONES**, AIDS Interfaith Network, 7pm; First United Methodist Church, 21st & J Streets, 481-5487

**GOLD FEVER**, Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**JOHN RAMBO (DIRECTOR, BREAKING BARRIERS): CHANGING FACES – CHANGING NEEDS,** AIDS Interfaith Network, 7pm; St. Mark's United Methodist Church, Fireside Room, 2391 St. Mark's Way, 481-5487

## 15th Wednesday

**COFFEE OUT, GSAC**, 7pm; Natomas Starbucks, 927-1810

**GOLD FEVER,** Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**VOLUNTEER ORIENTATION,** Breaking Barriers, 5:30-7:30pm; 1722 J St, Suite 321, 447-2437

**SOCIAL SECURITY,** Garbeau's Dinner Theatre, thru October 3, 985-6361

**DOG HOUSE: ARCHITECTURE UNLEASHED,** Oakland Museum, thru October 17; 10th & Oak Sts, 888-OAK-MUSE

**THE AMOROUS AMBASSADOR,** thru September 25; Woodland Opera House, 530-666-9617

**BEAVER WALKS,** Effie Yeaw Nature Center, reservation & info 967-0777 (Jack)

**WEDNESDAY EVENING READING GROUP,** The Open Book, 7pm; 910 21st St, 498-1004

## 16th Thursday

**CINE ACCION FESTIVAL ICINE LATINOI,** SF Castro, Buena Yerba Center, Victoria, Berkeley, Fine Arts

**GOLD FEVER,** Sacramento Memorial Auditorium, thru October 31; 1515 J St, 264-8954

**ECLECETIC TRASH BOOK CLUB,** The Open Book, 7pm; 910 21st St, 498-1004

**PUBLIC RECEPTION W/CONCORD POLICE DEPT.,** Rainbow Governmental Concerns Committee, 6:30-8pm; La Fogata Sports Grill, 2311 Willow Pass Rd & Colfax, Concord, 925-210-0563

## EVENTS MASTER CALENDAR

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| **Sac Rainbow Festival** | September 5 |
| **SAC Capitol AIDS Walk**, 448-2437 ext. 228 | September 12 |
| **Fresno Pride Celebration** | September 19 |
| **AIDS Walk** San Diego, 619-260-3091 | September 25 |
| **S.F. Folsom Street Fair**, 415-861-3247 | September 26 |
| **SAF AIDS Walk,** 448-2437 Ext 228 | September |
| **Honoring Our Heroes,** www.iapac.org | September 27 |
| **Breast Cancer Awareness Month** | October |
| **S.F. Castro Street Fair,** 415-467-3354 | October 3 |
| **Gay Day Octoberfest at CalExpo Waterworld** | October 3 |
| **Lavender Alliance Coming Out Day Picnic** | October 9 |
| **Coming Out Day** | October 11 |
| **Sacramento Intl. Film Festival,** 558-6598 | October 1-11 |
| **Boo Bash Halloween Party** | October 29 |
| **MGW Newspaper 21st Anniversary Celebration:** | November |
| **Harvey Milk & George Moscone's Lives** | November 27 |
| **SAC Domestic Partners Law Anniversary 1992** | November 16 |
| **World AIDS Day** | December 1 |
| **SAC Men's Chorus Holiday Concert** | December 3 & 4 |
| **SAF Let The Miracles Begin**, 448-AIDS | December 5-6 |
| **SAF The Winter Concert** | December 5 |
| **SAF The Winter Concert w/Judy Collins**, 448-AIDS | December 17 |
| **Election Day** | March 7, 2000 |
| **Earth Day** | April 22, 2000 |
| **Millennium March** | April 30, 2000 |
| **Pride Ride 2000**, 800-966-3896 | April 30, 2000 |
| **CAP/PAC Annual Dinner**, 736-2722 | June 2000 |
| **Gay Games** | November 2002 |

## THEATRE/DANCE

**B STREET THEATRE**, Boom Town, thru September 12; 2711 B Street, 443-5300

**BLOOMING ART**, A Byzantine Paradise, thru October 2, reception September 11, 6-9pm; 1901 Capitol Ave., 442-3800

**CAMELLIA SYMPHONY ORCHESTRA**, To the End of the Century – 'And Now Is Always Now', October 9th ; Universality 'And All Shall Be Well', November 13; The Essence of Time – 'In my beginning is my end', February 5; Toward the Unknown Region – 'We shall not cease from exploration', April 1; Time Future–Time Past – California and Beyond, May 20, 21; 929-6655

**EAGLE THEATRE**, Grease, thru October 16; Annie, November 5 thru December 18; Little Shop of Horrors, December 31 thru February 12; Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat, February 18 thru April 1; Pippin, April 21 thru June 3; 925 Front Street, Old Sac, 916-207-1226

**OAKLAND BALLET**, Program 1: Giger, Britten, Reinhardt, September 24 thru 26; Program 2: Poulenc, Schuman, Glass, October 22 thru 24; Program 3: Glazunov Copland, Ravel, November 12 thru 14; Nutcracker, December 10 thru 24; Paramount Theater, 2025 Broadway, OAK, 510-452-9288

**PALACE OF FINE ARTS THEATER**, Na Lei I Ka Wekiu, October 16 thru 24, 415-392-4400; Yaelisa and Caminos Flamencos, October 29 thru 31, 510-834-8277; 3301 Lyon St., SF

**RIVER STAGE**, Samuel Beckett's "Waiting for Godot", Sept 10-18, 8401 Center Parkway, Sac, 688-7138

**SACRAMENTO THEATRE COMPANY**, Laughter on the 23rd Floor, September 21 thru October 17; Jodie's Body, October 12 thru December 5; A Christmas Carol, November 26 thru December 24; Kokoro (True Heart), January 11 thru February 6; Same Time, Next Year, February 1 thru April 9; Wicked Old Songs, February 22 thru March 19; Alabama Sky, April 4 thru April 30; 1419 H St, 443-6722

**SUBLTEtease, Exotic Erotica**, thru October 2, reception September 11, 6-9pm; 1903 Capitol Ave., 447-6900

**THEATER RHINOCEROS**, Shopping and F***ing, September 16 thr October 16; jaywalker, November 11 thru December 11; Barebacking, A Sex Panic! Comedy, January 20 thru February 19; Latin Hustle, March 16 thru April 15; Whatever happened to Sister George?, May 18 thru June 17; 2926 16th St, SF, 415-861-5079

**THE WOODLAND OPERA HOUSE**, The Amorous Ambassador, thru September 25; Carousel, October 22 thru November 14; 340 2nd St, Woodland, 530-666-9617

## ART GALLERIES

**ART FOUNDRY GALLERY**, Scenes of the Delta, thru October 3, 1021 R St, 483-1661

**CHROMA GALLERY**, "Fall into Radiance," Rhonda Egan & Don Dalrymple, September 11 thru October 3, reception 49pm; 10030 Fair Oaks Blvd, 916-966-6020

**CROCKER ART MUSEUM**, American Impressionist Paintings from West Coast Collections; Eye of the Needle: Chinese Textiles & Embroideries; Double Take: Photography from the Museum Collection, thru Jan 30, 2000; Passage to California: Old Master in the New World, Sept 10-Nov 28, Library Gallery; Student Exhibition: Picturing Myself, Imagining Community, Sept 21-Nov 7, Discovery Gallery Level; Interesting Artistic Programs For Adults starting Sept available – Please contact Crocker Art Museum; 216 O Street, 916-264-5423

**DOIRON GALLERY**, Gretchen Ryan and Nine, Young at Art, Scott Beagle, "Off Into The Light", thru September 14; 1625 Del Paso Blvd, 916-564-4433

**FACES**, Dwight Head's Art showing & Sale, thru Sept 31; 2000 K St, 441-3130

**FINE ARTS MUSEUMS of SAN FRANCISCO, M.H. DE YOUNG MEMORIAL MUSEUM**, The Art of Craft: Contemporary Works from the Saxe Collection, thru October 17, Contemporary Fiber and Art to Wear: Recent Acquisitions, thru November 28; Masterworks of Theater and Dance from the Permanent Collection: A Tribute to Nancy Baer, thru September 5; Wedding Dresses from the permanent Collection, August 7 thru January 23; de Young Museum, Golden Gate Park, 75 Tea Garden Dr, S.F. 415-750-7692

**FINE ARTS MUSEUMS of SAN FRANCISCO, CA. PALACE OF THE LEGION OF HONOR**, The Treasury of St. Francis of Assisi, thru November 14; Claes Oldenburg: Prints and Multiples, thru September 19, Recent Acquisitions at the Legion, beginning August 28; 34th Ave. & Clement St., SF, 415-863-3330

**GALLERY 8**, Jenny Steward, Artist reception Sep 11, 6-9pm; Show dates Sept 11-Oct 2; 2906 Franklin Blvd, 456-4278

**KZ'S CAFÉ & GALLERIA**, La Shun Beal, latest works, September 11, 6-11pm; 1628 K St.

**MICHAEL HIMOVITZ GALLERY**, Jack Alvarez, "Fear of Flying: Exploring Shamanism", acrylic on paper, reception Sept 11, 6-10pm, lecture Sept 15, 7pm; Cathy Stone, "Indications: sculptural works with neon", reception Sept 11, 610pm, lecture Sept 15, 7pm; 1616 Del Paso Blvd, Suite 3, 929-7896

**SF MOMA**, Robert Rauschenberg, paintings, thru September 7; Carleton Watkins, The Art of Perception, photography, thru September 7; Bill Viola, video, installation, media arts, thru September 12; Yanamanos to Yuppies: Tibor Kalman's Argument for the Future, thru October 19; Tiberocity: Design and Undesign by Tibor Kalman, 1979-99, graphics and installation, thru October 26; Jennifer Morla, works from the permanent collection of architecture and design, thru October 26; Paul Klee, Signs of Life, thru March 14; Full Moon, Apollo Mission Photographs of the Lunar Landscape, August 20 thru January 11, Julia Margaret Cameron's Women, August 27 thru November 30, Jasper Johns, New Paintings and Works on Paper, September 15 thru January 4, Degas to Picasso: Sculptors and the Camera, October 2 thru January 2, Seeing Time: Selections from the Pamela and Richard Kramlich Collection of Media Art, October 15 thru January 9; Far Out: Design from the Sixties, November 12 thru February 20; The Architecture of Graphics: Design for SCI-Arc from the Permanent Collection of Architecture and Design; Edge City: Work by Steven Holl from the Permanent Collection of Architecture and Design, November 12 thru February 20; New Work: Painting Today, Recent Acquisitions, December 17 thru March, 2000; 151 3rd Street, S.F., 415-357-4000, http://www.sfmoma.org

**SOLOMON DUBNICK GALLERY**, John Tarahteeff, "Idyllis & Exiles", Jan Camp, "Vegetable Nightlife", September 2 thru October 2, reception September 11, 6-9pm; 2131 Northrop Ave., 920-4547

**SPACE GALLERY**, 2nd Annual Momentum Polaroid Exhibition, September 22; 1141 Polk St, SF, 415-673-0911

**STILL LIFE GALLERY**, Diedre Trudeau, paintings, JW Baker, paintings, Jim Lightfoot, woodcarvings, thru September 10; 2231 J Street, Suite 102, 916-446-6786

**VIEWPOINT GALLERY,** Steve Solinsky, "Latin Color", September 10 thru October 22, reception September 11, 5:30pm; Annual SAMCC Exhibit, October 29 thru December 10; John Sexton, December 17 thru January 28, reception January 8, 5:30pm; Richard Miller, February 4 thru March 17, reception February 12, 5:30; 551 Sequoia Pacific Blvd, 916441-2341

**WEAVE WORKS**, Linda A. Hoza, paintings; Love Makes A Family – LGTB People And Their Families, photograph-text exhibit, thru September 4; 919 20th Street, 554-2412

**YERBA BUENA GALLERY**, Mod F**k Explosion, September 1; Cine Accion's 7th Annual Festival !Cine Latino! September 18 thru 19, 12-8pm; Three Nights with Secret Cinema: Exotica Music Films, September 15, 17, 18; SF Jewish Film Festival: Best Short Fiction of 1998, September 29, 8pm; 1701 Mission St. SF, 415-978-2700

**YERBA BUENA CENTER FOR THE ARTS THEATER**, La Tania – Flamenco Music and Dance, September 10 thru 12; Lawrence Pech Dance Company, November 18 thru 21; Lily Cai Chinese Dance & Dimensions Dance Theater, November 12 thru 13; Stephen Petronio Dance Company, November 4 thru 7, Words on Dance – Joe Goode November 1; Helgi Tomasson, April 10; 700 Howard St., SF, 415-978-ARTS

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